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SUBJECT: BARKER/KARPIS GANG

BREMER KIDNAPPING

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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

November 16, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Louisville, Kentucky

RE: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the telephone conversation between Special Agent in Charge Dewey and Special Agent R. D. Brown this morning relative to a contemplated visit [redacted] at the Government Narcotic Farm, Lexington, Kentucky on Tuesday, November 19, 1935.

It is desired to determine if it will be necessary [redacted] to have in his possession a letter granting permission to visit this Hospital [redacted]

He has been in considerable difficulty in the city of Chicago during the past four years and there is a narcotic charge pending against him at the present time.

While I would like to maintain the goodwill of this individual, still I do not wish to place ourselves in the position of a sponsor, provided any actions of his in the future might be embarrassing.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge

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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

FILE NO. 7-5

REPORT MADE AT DENVER, COLO.	DATE WHEN MADE 11-15-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10-26 to 28-35 11-5-35	REPORT MADE BY L. G. HEALEY
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -- Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING -- HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -- NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Dan Tubbs states that the last time he saw Campbell was in the early part of 1933, when Campbell visited him in Evansville, Wyo., with a wife and another man; description of stranger not that of Karpis, nor could Tubbs identify photo of Karpis as being that of stranger. Interview with Matt Goad revealed no information. Sheriff Allen and Captain William Miller unable to give any additional information.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- P -</p>			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent J. B. Shiley, Denver, dated 9-23-35.			
DETAILS: <p>Agent interviewed Sheriff R. Jack Allen, Natrona County, Casper, Wyoming, who was unable to give Agent any information other than that set out in reference report. Agent deems it advisable to keep in touch with Sheriff Allen in regard to any developments in instant case, in view of the fact that Sheriff Allen knows Campbell personally, and is always willing to cooperate with the Denver Office.</p> <p>Agent interviewed Captain William Miller, Bureau of Identification, Casper</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[Signature]</i>		SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	
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Police Department, Casper, Wyoming, who was unable to give any information in addition to that set out in report of reference. When asked about Dan Tubbs, Captain Miller stated that Tubbs' relationship with Campbell is about the same as that of most of the people around Casper who were acquainted with Campbell when Campbell resided and worked in Casper. Mr. Miller stated that Tubbs is a fellow who minds his own business, is very close mouthed, offering no information, and is a card shark, and at present is driving a truck on the Alcova Dam Project. Captain Miller further informed Agent that he interviewed Tubbs after Campbell is supposed to have visited Tubbs at Tubbs' place in Evansville, and that Tubbs, a friend of Captain Miller, gave him all the information that he knew about Campbell. Captain Miller further informed Agent that he thought that if Tubbs was in the possession of any information that he, Miller, would be able to get it from Tubbs, and that if he was able to do so, he would so advise the Denver Office.

Agent interviewed Dan Tubbs, 128 West F. Street, Casper, Wyoming, at his residence. Tubbs stated that at present he was driving a truck on the Alcova Dam Project. Tubbs informed Agent that the last time he saw Campbell was in the early part of 1933, at which time Campbell visited Tubbs at his place in Evansville, Wyoming, with Campbell's wife and another fellow, a stranger to Tubbs. He stated that it was his understanding that this stranger was a party by the name of Jack Wright, whom he heard was later picked up in Oklahoma on some charge. He was unable to give Agent any description of this person, other than that he had very small features, was very peaked looking, and that several of his front teeth were missing. Upon being shown a photo of Alvin Karpis, Tubbs stated that such was not in any way similar to the stranger. Mr. Tubbs further stated that Campbell stayed in Casper about one month at that time, but he was unable to state where he roomed. Tubbs further informed Agent that at that time he did not know that Campbell was wanted on any criminal charges, and that he did not learn of this until Captain William Miller, of the Police Department visited him, just after Campbell had left. He further stated that since that time he has not seen or heard of the whereabouts of Campbell, and that Campbell was never out to Alcova within the past two years. He further stated that he did not know any more about Campbell than did any other party who knew Campbell when he resided and worked in Casper. He stated that Campbell was very close-lipped, and had never offered any information to him, and that he, Tubbs, had never questioned him concerning his business. Tubbs further stated that if Campbell ever came to Casper, the first person he would ever visit would be he, Tubbs, or Oscar Felt, at Evansville, Wyoming, and stated that he would be willing to cooperate with the Bureau, and if he received any information as to the whereabouts of Campbell, that he would get in touch with Captain William

Miller, of the Casper Police Department, whom

Agent interviewed Mr. George Rhine, 344 West 14th
Wyoming, who is a Special Agent for the U. S. E. C. Mail
Room. Mr. Rhine stated that Matt Goad was unable to give
information concerning Subject Campbell, stating that he
barely met Campbell once.

Agent also interviewed Matt Goad, who stated that his son
Henry Goad, 121 North E. Street, Casper, Mr. Goad stated that
himself never knew Campbell, nor had he ever met him. However, he
stated that some evening about two years ago he attended a dance with
his wife at Casper, and there Campbell was pointed out to him by his
wife, who knew Campbell when he lived in Oklahoma; that he then met
Campbell for the first and last time; that his wife came from Oklahoma
home, and Campbell had been a neighbor of his wife's family at that
time. Goad also stated that he understood that Campbell was present
at the dance in the company of one Oscar Felt, who lived in Evans-
ville. It is noted that Felt has been the Subject of previous re-
ports in this case. Goad further stated that he heard that Camp-
bell had visited Midwest, Wyoming, about four or five months prior.
It is noted that the report of Special Agent J. B. Shiley, Denver,
dated 9-9-35, covered this rumor.

Goad stated that one Mack Welsh, 1236 South Chestnut Street, Casper,
Wyoming, knew Campbell both in Casper and in Oklahoma, and that Camp-
bell had operated a bus from Evansville to Casper, as an employee of
Welsh. An examination of the file disclosed that Welsh already had
been interviewed, and therefore no lead will be set out.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Henry Goad, wife of above party, who stated
that she knew Campbell when Campbell was a neighbor of her family
back in Oklahoma. She further advised Agent that she also knew him
when he worked in Casper, and that he was employed by her husband,
Mr. Welsh, as a bus-driver on the stage from Evansville to Casper.
She also stated that she has not seen Campbell during the past few
years, outside of the instances related above by her husband. She
was unable to give Agent any information other than that which was
already been reported.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE DENVER OFFICE: at Casper, Wyoming, will keep in touch with Cap-
tain William Miller and Sheriff R. Jack Allen as to developments or
further information in instant case.


Unless an examination of the file reveals that Mr. M. Welsh, 1238 South Chestnut Street, Casper, Wyoming, has already been interviewed in instant case, the Denver Office will interview the above concerning Subject Campbell.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio:

Jax FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Fla.	DATE WHEN MADE 11-17-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11-14-35	REPORT MADE BY B. F. Fitzsimons
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE; I. O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I. O. 1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I. O. 1236, et al., EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -- Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCT- ION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Andrew S. Gurante presently located at Astoria, Long Island, according to a letter addressed to James Scurry, Manager, Halcyon Hotel, Miami, Florida, on November 11, 1935.</p> <p>P</p> </div>			
REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent B. F. Fitzsimons, Jack- sonville, Florida, November 11, 1935.			
DETAILS AT MIAMI, FLORIDA: <p>On November 14, 1935, Mr. James Scurry, Manager, Halcyon Hotel, Miami, Florida, advised Agent that he had received a letter from Andrew S. Gurante, the original of which he exhibited and which, it was noted, was postmarked at New York City, New York, at 12:30 A.M., on November 11, 1935, addressed to James Scurry, Manager, Halcyon Hotel, Miami, Florida. The enclosed letter dated November 9, 1935, requested in- formation of Mr. Scurry as to whether Gurante had any mail at the Hal- cyon and if so to forward same to <u>2808 35th Street, Astoria, Long Is- land, New York.</u> The letter was signed A. S. Gurante and beyond express- ing regards for Scurry and his wife, Gurante said nothing further.</p>			
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Mr. Scurry, who has cooperated with the Bureau in this matter, requested that in the event it becomes necessary to contact Gurante that no information be given to him to indicate that Scurry furnished his address to the Bureau. Mr. Scurry was assured that his confidence would not be violated.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD:

THE NEW YORK CITY OFFICE, at Astoria, Long Island, is requested to verify Gurante's location at 28-08 35th Street, since it appears, from the report of Special Agent William J. McNulty, New York City, dated October 3, 1935, that Gurante may be desired as a witness in this matter at a subsequent date.

- PENDING -

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

November 18, 1935.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Exhibit

During the course of the Bremer investigation, Agents have obtained numerous firearms and items of firearms equipment from members of the Karpis - Barker gang in Chicago, Illinois, Cleveland, Ohio, and Oklawaha, Florida. There are many items of unusual interest in this collection.

In view of the magnitude of the Bremer investigation, it is felt that the Bureau should maintain a separate exhibit of the firearms and firearms equipment which have been confiscated from members of the Karpis - Barker gang. The Bureau is therefore directing a letter to the Chicago Office containing instructions to forward to the Bureau all firearms and items of firearms equipment which have been confiscated during the course of this investigation and which are still being held in the Chicago Office pending further disposition.

Respectfully,

K. R. McIntire

K. R. McIntire.

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Mr. Werner Hamm,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
610 Alamo Ward Hotel,
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of November 9, 1935 transmitting six ledger sheets containing specimens of the handwriting of Dr. Robert Carville Morrison for examination in connection with the case entitled, ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al.; EDWARD G. BRENNAN-Victim; KIDNAPING.

Confirming and supplementing the Bureau's teletype message of November 18, 1935, you are advised that the material submitted was examined in the Bureau's Laboratory and seven latent fingerprints were developed thereon. These impressions were compared with the fingerprints of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, I. O. #1232, but no identification was effected.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

AIR MAIL

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Cincinnati Chicago
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P. O. Drawer 867
San Francisco, California

November 14th, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Salt Lake City, Utah

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with Aliases, I.O.
#1218, Fugitive, Et Al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM;
Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives;
Obstruction of Justice; National
Firearms Act.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent J. B.
Dickerson, dated at New York City, November 2, 1935, in connection
with the above captioned case, a copy of which is being enclosed
herewith, for your information and assistance.

Please be advised that Special Agent F. C. Dorwart, of
this office, conducted investigation at Sacramento, California,
which disclosed that the stock of the Shaw-Batcher Company at
Sacramento, California, had been purchased by the Thompson-Diggs
Company, Hardware Wholesalers, Sacramento, California, on April
1, 1932. This investigation disclosed that the records of the
Thompson-Diggs Company showed that the .380 calibre colt automatic
pistol #112352 billed by the Colt Firearms Company to the Shaw-
Batcher Company, Sacramento, California, on January 26, 1932, had
been part of the stock taken over from the Shaw-Batcher Company.
A check of the invoices of the Thompson-Diggs Company developed
that an invoice of June 9, 1932, shows among other guns, the sale
of instant .380 calibre colt automatic pistol No. 112352 to the
Reno Sporting Goods Company, Reno, Nevada.

It is therefore requested that the Salt Lake City Office
at Reno, Nevada, continue the tracing of the .380 calibre colt
automatic pistol No. 112352 requested in the report of reference.

Very truly yours,

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Jay C. Newman,
Special Agent in Charge

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PHONE. BREKID. SAC CONNELLEY AT CHICAGO ADVISES THAT ~~THE~~ ~~JOHN~~
~~HAUKEGAN~~, ~~SISTER OF BELLE~~, ~~REMOVED LETTER~~
~~TO LOS ANGELES~~, ~~CALIFORNIA~~, ~~REMOVED ADDRESS~~,
~~REMOVED~~ SIMILAR TO CHARLES J. FITZGERALD. LOS ANGELES REQUESTED
TO DEVELOP LOCATION OF FITZGERALD THROUGH CHECK OF AUTOMOBILE
REGISTRATION, ETC. AND IF LOCATED TO HANDLE DISCREETLY TO VERIFY IF
KARPIS OR CAMPBELL WITH OR CONTACTING HIM. RECORDS SACRAMENTO SECURED
BY SAN FRANCISCO OFFICE REFLECT SALE BY FITZGERALD, AS C. J. MURPHY,
ON 2-7-35 AT LONG BEACH, CALIFORNIA, OF BUICK CLUB SEDAN MOTOR 2875177
TO GEORGE MCPHEETERS. CHECK AUTOMOBILE REGISTRATION FOR ADDITIONAL
REGISTRATIONS, DRIVERS PERMIT, ETC. FOR FITZGERALD

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November 16, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Washington, D. C.

Re: WILLIAM DAINARD with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 71252-1, et al;
George Meyerhauser, Victim,
KIDNAPING - EXTORTION.

Dear Sir:

Information has been received from both Haroon M. Haley and Mrs. Margaret Haley to the effect that subject William Dainard has received treatments for gonorrhea from some doctor in Los Angeles.

It has been noticed from the report of Special Agent M.D. Trout, dated at Washington, D. C., August 19, 1935, in the case entitled ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 71218, et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim, KIDNAPING, that arrangements were made with Mr. E. W. Williams, of the publishing firm of Williams and Wilkins Company, Mount Royal and Guilford Avenues, Baltimore, Maryland, who publish the magazine Journal of Urology, to include in their publication a photograph and description of Alvin Karpis and that Mr. Williams, through the use of his mailing list, mailed a copy of the identification order on Karpis to all subscribers to the Journal of Urology.

It is desired that you immediately endeavor to make the necessary arrangements with Mr. Williams whereby the photograph and description of William Dainard will be published in this magazine and copies of the identification order on Dainard issued to all subscribers of the magazine.

Very truly yours,

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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - J. J. Connelley - Chicago
Portland

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BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

November 19 1935

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to:

ABERDEEN
MR. E. J. CONNELLEY - CHICAGO

BREKID; KNOWN HANDWRITING OF DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN INDICATES CONSIDERABLE
SIMILARITY WITH HANDWRITING APPEARING ON LEDGER SHEETS OF DR. ROBERT
CARVILLE OSMISTON. FINGERPRINTS OF DR. MORAN NOT IDENTIFIED WITH LATENT
PRINTS DEVELOPED. CHICAGO IS REQUESTED TO REVIEW ITS FILES AND INTERVIEW
BETTY TRACKY IN EFFORT TO OBTAIN FURTHER HANDWRITING AND HANDPRINTING OF
MORAN. ABERDEEN REQUESTED TO INVESTIGATE THOROUGHLY AND PROMPTLY ALL
ANGLES SUGGESTED IN SAC HANNI'S REPORT OF NINTH INSTANT.

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Laboratory Report

November 18, 1935.

Case: Alvin Karpis with aliases - Fugitive,
I. O. 1218, et al.;
Edward G. Bremer - Victim,
Kidnaping.

Number: 7-576-7876

Specimens: A. One record sheet bearing date of "13th - 31st, August - 1935" and beginning with name of "Adams, George".
B. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935 - 13th to 31st" and beginning with name of "Robinson, Herbert".
C. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Lang, Raymond".
D. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Browning, Joe." (Specimens continued below)

Examination requested by: Aberdeen Bureau Office.
Date received: November 12, 1935.

Examination requested: Document and Fingerprint.

Result of examination:

(Specimens continued):

E. One record sheet bearing date of "August - 1935, 1-15" and beginning with name of "Leonard, Andrew".
F. One record sheet bearing notation at top, "Work Sheet - August - 25 - 1935" and beginning with name of "Adams, George".
All of the above specimens are in the handwriting of one Dr. Robert Carville Cravison, and are to be processed for fingerprints.
G. Three blank forms bearing the handwriting specimens of Cravison on the reverse side.

Evidence of a large number of similarities in the handwriting and handprinting of Dr. Robert Carville Cravison and the known writing of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, Identification Order #1232, would tend to indicate a strong possibility that these specimens were written by Dr. Moran. It should be appreciated in this connection that the insufficient number of specimens of known writings and handprinting of Moran are not wholly adequate in that they were made a number of years ago and are of too small a quantity to warrant the reaching of a positive conclusion.

The Chicago Office should note that additional specimens of known handwriting and handprinting of Dr. Joseph P. Moran are desired by the Laboratory. It is suggested that these specimens be obtained from acquaintances of Moran.

A report on the fingerprint examination will be submitted separately.

Photographic copies of the evidence submitted will be forwarded to your office within the next several days.

THE ORIGINAL EVIDENCE WHICH WAS SUBMITTED IS BEING RETAINED IN THE LABORATORY FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT EXAMINATIONS WHICH MAY BE DESIRED. SHOULD YOUR OFFICE DESIRE THIS ORIGINAL EVIDENCE FOR USE IN ANY SUBSEQUENT PROCEEDINGS WHICH MAY DEVELOP THE BUREAU SHOULD BE NOTIFIED IN AMPLE TIME TO PERMIT TRANSMITTAL.

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Mr. Warner Hamel,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
610 Alonzo Ward Building,
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

Re: Alvin Karpis, with aliases -
Fugitive, I. O. 1218, et al.;
Edward G. Bremer - Victim,
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith the laboratory report
covering the examination of specimens submitted by your office
in connection with the above entitled matter and received in
the Bureau November 12, 1935.

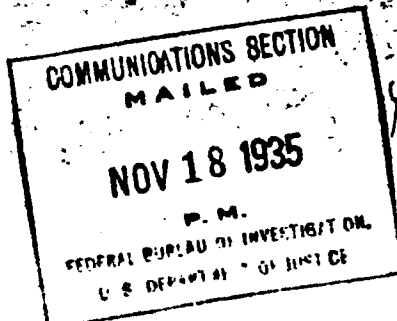
Very truly yours,

J. E. Hoover

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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cc - St. Paul
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AIR MAIL

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

November 18, 1935

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

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The surveillance of the John Karpavicz family is being maintained by the Chicago Office. That office learned recently that John Karpavicz, the father of Alvin Karpis, not so long ago purchased a very expensive baby bed at the Chicago Baby Carriage Company. It was learned that he paid for the bed with a crisp \$100.00 bill and the girl making the sale observed him to have at least one other \$100.00 bill and several other bills of smaller denomination. He has also purchased for the child of Alvin Karpis an expensive Kroll baby carriage. It has been learned that the baby bed and carriage so purchased are ordinarily purchased only by wealthy parents who can well afford to spend considerable sums of money for such conveniences. For this reason, it is believed that Karpavicz is obtaining money through his son. The Chicago Office has also ascertained that Karpavicz has contact with another Lithuanian family in the neighborhood whose reputation is very doubtful. This angle is being covered thoroughly at the present time.

There have been no developments in the Toledo area. Confidential informants have advised that former associates and harborers of Karpis and Campbell are now speculating as to the present location of Karpis.

Respectfully,

K.R. McIntire

K.R. McIntire

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MR. HERBERT CALLAHAN-
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REPORT MADE AT: Portland, Oregon	DATE WHEN MADE: 11-16-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 11-12, 13, 14-35	REPORT MADE BY: J. C. Ellsworth
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE, et al. I. O. #1218; Edward George Bremer - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: Kidnaping; Harboring of Fugitives; Obstruction of Justice; National Firearms Act.
<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: John A. Schmitt and Frank Schmitt, Portland, Oregon, both disclaim any knowledge of present whereabouts of William Elmer Meade, their brother-in-law. Mail cover placed on all mail received by both parties.</p>			
<p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent William J. McNulty, dated October 3, 1935, at New York City; and letter from Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd dated November 5, 1935, at Chicago, Illinois.</p>			
<p>DETAILS: Referring to reference letter of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, it is respectfully stated that the investigation requested in the report of Special Agent J. H. Rice, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, dated October 21, 1935, has been covered and reported in the report of Special Agent John F. Sears, dated November 2, 1935, at Portland, Oregon; and that the investigation requested in the teletype from the Philadelphia Office, dated October 3, 1935, has been reported in a letter from Special Agent in Charge C. C. Spears, dated October</p>			
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17, 1935, at Portland, Oregon, and sent to the Director at Washington, D. C., a copy of said letter being routed to the Chicago Office.

Discreet inquiry was made of Mr. John A. Schmitt, 1735 N. W. 23rd St., Portland, Oregon, old address 369 N. 23rd. Mr. Schmitt is an elderly gentleman, and was fairly open in his conversation. He stated that he does have a sister by the name of Kate Meade, who is the wife of Elmer Meade, a dealer in stocks and bonds. He stated that the only address he has for them is Chicago, Illinois. He, however, advised that two years ago or more, his son, John, now nearly 20 years old, made a trip to Chicago and visited with his aunt Kate. He further stated that his son had, in the past, received a letter or two from Mrs. Meade. He was asked if he would mind securing the address for this Agent, and replied that his son kept all his papers locked away, and he would not bother them. It was then suggested that Agent return later in the evening when the son would be home, and Mr. Schmitt then stated that such action would be absolutely useless, as his son had flatly denied to furnish the address of Kate Meade to anyone. In view of the fact that William Meade is being sought by the Post Office, it is probable that Post Office Inspectors have made inquiry of Mr. Schmitt, and that the Chicago address is being guarded.

From Mr. John Schmitt it was learned that he has a brother, Frank Schmitt, who resides at 2334 N. W. Thurman St., Portland, Oregon, which address is just around the corner from John Schmitt's home, and that Frank might know the address of Mrs. Meade. Agent contacted Mr. Frank Schmitt, and as soon as the words "Kate Meade" were spoken, Mr. Frank Schmitt cut in with the remark, "you tell me where they are and I'll tell you where they are". He flatly denied any knowledge of the whereabouts of Mr. and Mrs. Meade, stating that they moved about from one place to another so often that it was impossible to keep track of them.

It was not thought advisable at this time to press these inquiries. A mail cover was requested on the addresses of John Schmitt and John Schmitt. If no information is forthcoming from these mail covers, and the Meade address is not secured from the leads set out in the report of Agent McNulty, the Portland Office will upon request, take further steps to attempt to secure the address of the Meades.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 536
Los Angeles, California
November 16, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, w.a., Fugitive,
I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE -
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT
L. A. File #7-42

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is a forwarding address card left
at the General Delivery window, Post Office, Los Angeles, California,
while same was unattended.

This card was turned over to the Los Angeles Bureau
office on November 9, 1935, and it is requested that same be sub-
mitted to the Technical Laboratory for comparative purposes.

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. Dunn
J. E. P. DUNN
Special Agent in Charge

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Encl. *E. H.*
cc/ Cincinnati
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Laboratory Report

Case: BREKID

Number: 7-576-8089

Specimens: 7-576-8089 A. One "Order to Change Address" card signed
"Alvin B. Karpis".

Examination requested by: Los Angeles Office

Date received: 11-21-35 (mch)

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel #1

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Laboratory Report

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Examination requested by: Los Angeles Office

Date received: 11-21-35 (mch)

Examination requested: Document

Result of examination:

Examination by: Major #2

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Chicago (Mr. E.J. Connelley)

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Alvin Karpis

Because of differences between the questioned
writing on the Change Address Order -
& the signatures of Karpis on file at the Bureau
it is probable that the person who filled in
the Change Address order is not Karpis. -

LB:MSB
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P. O. Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
November 18, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; ET AL.
Edward George Bremer - Victim;
Kidnaping.

During the course of an investigation by Special Agent Paul Hansen in this case, information was developed to the effect that Wilton Lett, of Route 2, Wann, Oklahoma, may be a contact of Harry Campbell in Oklahoma, and in fact, it is suspected that possibly he is the go-between for Campbell and the members of his family in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

Wilton Lett was interviewed by Agent Hansen on Saturday night, November 16th, and on Sunday, November 17th, but no definite information was obtained from him and he made no admissions to the effect that he has been contacting Campbell. The information which we have to the effect that Campbell may have been contacting Lett is vague and indefinite, and of course there was very little material available for use in interrogating this individual. Agent Hansen informed me that Lett did state that he believed possibly he "has seen Campbell in the past weeks or months", but he would furnish no information as to times and places. Lett promised Mr. Hansen that he would furnish him with any information he obtains concerning Campbell. Further contacts will be made with Lett in an effort to make an informant of him.

During the course of his investigation Agent Hansen obtained information to the effect that Maggie Lett, mother of Wilton Lett, Route 2, Wann, Oklahoma, has received registered mail at the address given for her on the dates and from the places, as follows:

Reg. Number.

Postmark and Date

731416
701194
706172
706811
1070

Cleveland, Ohio -
Cleveland, Ohio -
Cleveland, Ohio -
Cleveland, Ohio -
Brunswick, Ohio -

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Agent Hansen informs me that during the course of his inquiries, which of course were guarded and discreet, in the vicinity of Wann, Oklahoma, he has been unable to learn of any relatives or friends of the Lett family who reside in Ohio who would be sending registered mail to this woman. Agent Hansen informs me that during the course of his interviews with Milton Lett, he made some guarded inquiries concerning members of the family and that Lett stated he has two young brothers who are at home, that he has several sisters, some of whom are married and only one of whom resides any distance from home, and that she lives in Wichita, Kansas, and that the rest of them are not far distant from Wann, Oklahoma.

As stated, it is suspected that Milton Lett may be a contact and go-between for Campbell, and in view of the fact that investigation in the past has disclosed that members of this gang, including Campbell, have frequented Cleveland and other points in Ohio, it is theorized that these registered letters may have been sent by Campbell to Maggie Lett for Milton Lett to deliver to members of the Campbell family.

It has not been deemed advisable at this time to make an open inquiry of Milton Lett or of Maggie Lett concerning these registered letters. - It is therefore requested that appropriate inquiry be made at the very earliest practicable time of the proper officials of the Post Office Department at Cleveland and Brunswick, Ohio, for the purpose of ascertaining the identity of the person or persons sending the registered mail, as indicated above, to Maggie Lett. All information of record in the Post Office at Wann concerning this registered mail is included in this letter.

Appropriate arrangements have been made with the Post Office authorities at Wann that Agent Hansen be immediately informed should any more registered mail be received for this woman.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc - Bureau
Kansas City
Cincinnati
St. Paul
Connelley (Chicago)

3616 FEDERAL RESERVE BANK BUILDING
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
NOVEMBER 18, 1935.

E. J. Connelley
Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218, ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
KIDNAPING

Reference is made to your letter dated at Chicago, Illinois, November 12, 1935, requesting investigation at Wichita, Kansas, to ascertain the location of Milton Letts; reference also being made to the last paragraph of report of Special Agent M. C. Spear, Kansas City, dated November 16, 1935.

Special Agent A. E. Farland, who, together with Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, is presently making an investigation in this case in the Southeastern part of Kansas and Southwestern part of Missouri, has advised that Milton Letts has been located in Coffeyville, Kansas by Special Agent Paul Hanson, of the Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, office.

It is presumed that a report relative to the investigation concerning Letts will be submitted by the Oklahoma City office.

Very truly yours,

W. A. SMITH
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 709
Portland, Oregon

November 16, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases
Kidnaping
APPREHENSION ORDER
NO. 1239-359

This is to advise that there was a shortage of 120 copies of the above numbered apprehension order received at this office, and it is requested that the Bureau furnish additional copies in order that circularization to our mailing list may be completed.

Very truly yours,

C. C. Spears
C. C. SPEARS,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cleveland, Ohio

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November 16, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Referring to Bureau communication dated November 14, 1935, making inquiry as to whether any of the special agents attached to this office are engaged in the investigation of the recent robbery of a mail train at Garrettsville, Ohio, please be advised that no agents of this office have been active in the said investigation. However, it might be indicated that recently a communication was received from Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley requesting that the photographs of fugitives in the Brakid case be displayed to the witnesses of this robbery. This will be done forthwith.

Very truly yours,

JPM/LTB

J. P. MacFARLAND
Special Agent in Charge

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PHONE. BREKID. REFER YOUR TELETYPE OF YESTERDAY. RECORDS OF CALIFORNIA STATE DIVISION OF MOTOR VEHICLES, SACRAMENTO, SHOW ONE C J MURPHY 726 SOUTH CENTRAL, APARTMENT 23, GLENDALE, NEW ADDRESS GIVEN MAY 1935 AS 6332 NORTH CITRUS LOS ANGELES REGISTERED 1935 DODGE SEDAN MOTOR 3687332 CALIFORNIA 1935 LICENSE 5S 7213 ON APRIL 25 1935. LEGAL OWNER IS AUTO FINANCE COMPANY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA 2601 SOUTH FIGUEROA STREET LOS ANGELES. ONE C J MURPHY 8332 NO CITRUS, HOLLYWOOD ON FEBRUARY 14 1935 REGISTERED 1935 HUDSON SEDAN MOTOR 9381 CALIFORNIA 1935 LICENSE 3V 833. ONE C J MURPHY, 1221 MAN ZANITA STREET LOS ANGELES ON FEBRUARY 20 1935 REGISTERED 1935 CHEVROLET COACH MOTOR 3428731 CALIFORNIA 1935 LICENSE 6D 3566. LATTER CAR WAS PREVIOUSLY REGISTERED TO RUTH M BEARD, 437 NORTH ARDMORE LOS ANGELES. NO OPERATOR LICENSES ISSUED TO THESE PERSONS

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: MR CONNELLEY AT CHICAGO

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BREKID AUTHORITY GRANTED ADVANCE INFORMANT \$50 FOR EXPENSES TRIP
TO KENOSHA COUNTY MENTIONED YOUR TELETYPE TODAY

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Confidential Informant

Edw. H. Bremer

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al Bureau of Investigation
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Washington, D. C.

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November 14, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS.

I wish to advise that a search of the files of the Identification Division fails to reveal any criminal record of J. D. Moran, duplicate copies of whose fingerprints are attached hereto. These fingerprints were received with a letter from the St. Louis office dated November 11, 1935.

Respectfully,

DP

J. D. Reynolds.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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FILE NO. 7-25

REPORT MADE AT DETROIT, MICHIGAN	DATE WHEN MADE 11/12/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/11/35	REPORT MADE BY W. B. MATNEY
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218 - FUGITIVE; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. 1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. 1232; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Wynona Burdette, U. S. Detention Farm, Milan, Michigan, denies ever having heard of Bill Crumbley of the St. Paul Police, or Tom Brown, former Chief of Police, St. Paul, Minnesota. She admits visiting Harry Sawyer's farm in St. Paul, Minn., and later saw Sawyer and his wife in Fred Barker's apartment in Cleveland, Ohio, almost daily for a period of one month. Burdette denies that Campbell ever discussed Sawyer's connection with the gang, but states she believes he was a member as he associated with Campbell and Fred Barker. Barker and Campbell visited Tia Juana gambling resort during fall of 1934. Burdette believes Campbell is employed as laborer in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

REFERENCE:

Copy of the Personal and Confidential letter to Special Agent in Charge H. E. Andersen, St. Paul, Minnesota from the Bureau dated 10/31/35.

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Miss Burdette advised that she has never heard of anyone named Tom Brown or Bill Crumbley. Miss Burdette advised that this was the only time when she saw either Harry Sawyer or Gladys Sawyer in St. Paul, Minnesota. Miss Burdette advised that she remembers the day after the Bremer kidnaping was reported as she and Paula Harmon were visiting in Volney Davis' and Edna Murray's apartment, and in that regard gives the following information:

She and Paula Harmon were in the kitchen of the above mentioned apartment, and Edna Murray was in the bathroom. Some unknown person appeared at the door and talked for a short time to Volney Davis. Miss Burdette did not see who this person was and did not later hear of the identity of this person. She stated that immediately thereafter, Davis demanded that Edna Murray immediately get on her coat and come with them. Davis did not explain to Paula Harmon or Wynona Burdette why he was leaving or where he was going, but he had stated that he would send someone after them later. Miss Burdette can give no concrete reason for their belief that the above conversation related to a "tip off" but stated that immediately after Davis and this woman had left that Paula Harmon and she believed that Volney Davis had been instructed to leave as the place was about to be raided. These two girls became extremely angry at Davis and decided to leave the apartment immediately. They left the apartment at that time and about one block's distance from the apartment they were picked up by Fred Barker. Miss Burdette has not received any information as to exactly what happened but believes that it was someone advising Davis to leave the apartment as it was about to be raided. In this connection Miss Burdette advised that she has no concrete information, but it has been intimated that the gang had "tip off" men in Reno, Nevada, St. Paul, Minnesota, and Toledo and Cleveland, Ohio. Miss Burdette advised that the only person outside of the gang that she met while in St. Paul was a Jack Phifer, who operates the Hollyhocks Tavern on the River Road in St. Paul, Minnesota.

In connection with her meeting Mr. Phifer, Miss Burdette states that on several occasions she and Campbell accompanied by Paula Harmon and Fred Barker proceeded to the above mentioned place, and while there had their meal and "did some plain and fancy drinking." Miss Burdette states that Phifer would come to their table and carry on a conversation with Fred Barker and Harry Campbell and that he called Harry Campbell "George" as Campbell was going under the name of George Martin. During these conversations with Phifer he would discuss the different brands of liquors and other trivial matters. Miss Burdette advised that at no time did she overhear any conversation which would lead her to believe that Phifer knew George to be Harry Campbell.

Miss Burdette stated that the only other time she saw Harry and Gladys Sawyer was in Cleveland, Ohio and in this regard she states that while living in Cleveland, Ohio she and Davis visited the home of Paula Harmon and Fred Barker almost daily for a period of about one month, and that during all of these visits Harry Sawyer and his wife Gladys were living with Paula and Fred. When asked concerning the conversations had with Harry Sawyer and Gladys at the above mentioned place, Miss Burdette states that the conversation was trivial in as far as the different members of the gang were concerned and stated that Mrs. Sawyer talked a great deal concerning her little girl.

Miss Burdette advised that the only time she saw Pat Reilly was on one occasion when she visited Harry Sawyer's saloon for a short time and someone pointed out one of the bartenders and said that his name was Pat Reilly. Miss Burdette was questioned concerning the information Campbell would give her when they left the location on short notice, and she advised that Campbell would say this, "pack up, we are leaving."

Miss Burdette advised that after Fred Barker had gotten after Campbell for talking to her, Campbell never gave her any information although according to what Paula Harmon told the Bureau Agents in Chicago Fred Barker must have told Paula most of the things he told Campbell not to tell her. Miss Burdette advised that while she and Campbell were in Florida they talked with Fred Barker about Harry Campbell and Wynona Burdette "leaving the gang."

Miss Burdette advised that she is very much in love with Campbell and they agreed that they would get married and settle down in Oklahoma. Miss Burdette states that Campbell asked her if she would stay with him even though he did not have a lot of money, and advised her that he was going to get a job and upon being asked what sort of a job he was going to get, Campbell stated "he didn't give a damn if it was digging ditches." Miss Burdette advised that during her conversations with Campbell she was advised that about 1927 he worked for a while for an oil company at Midwest, Wyoming. Campbell also advised that he formerly was employed by the Western Union Telegraph Company at Tulsa, Okla.

Miss Burdette states that during her conversations with Campbell she learned that he was quite attached to oil field work and advised that if she were looking for Harry Campbell she would go to Tulsa, Okla., as she believes that is where he will be found at this time. When questioned concerning the other parts of Oklahoma where Campbell might go, Miss Burdette advised that Subject dislikes Oklahoma City very much and the only place which he likes is Tulsa, Oklahoma.

In this connection Miss Burdette advised that on several occasions she had a hard time keeping him from going back to Oklahoma. Miss Burdette advised, as has been set out in previous reports, that Campbell is very much attached to his mother, and that she believes he would visit his mother even though it meant his apprehension. Miss Burdette advised that after she was released by the Federal authorities in Cleveland, Ohio she proceeded to her home and while there she and her sister broadcast over the station at Ponca City, Oklahoma. Miss Burdette stated she does not know how Campbell learned of her whereabouts, but stated that he came to the radio station in Ponca City and asked her to leave with him.

Miss Burdette questioned Campbell concerning the attitude of "the gang" in regards to the information she gave to the authorities in Cleveland and Campbell advised that it did not make any difference to him what she told them. Miss Burdette advised that she believes it is probable that Subject Campbell is at present in contact with his relatives in Tulsa, Oklahoma and believes that it is quite probable that Campbell may contact members of her family.

Miss Burdette advised that she was very anxious to assist the Government in any way possible and stated that she was willing to give any testimony and was willing to testify at any time to any of facts which she has given to Agents of this Bureau. Miss Burdette is quite pleased that her clothing which was found in Florida has been turned over to her sister and stated that all of her clothes had been returned with the exception of one pair of riding pants and riding boots and one pair of hunting pants and one pair of hunting boots. Miss Burdette advised that these boots were "Friendly Fives." She stated that if these articles are at present in the possession of the Bureau, she would appreciate their being sent to Mrs. R. D. Wilson, Hominy, R. B., Oklahoma.

Before Agent's leaving Milan, Miss Burdette again advised Agent that she was very much in love with Campbell and if she secured information relative to the present location of Campbell, she would immediately advise reporting Agent, as she would rather "have him in custody than have him get killed." Miss Burdette talked very freely with Agent concerning the case and her statement relative to her belief that Campbell will be found in or near Tulsa is in line with conversation overheard by Agent Muzzey during visit of Mrs. Wilson to Wynona Burdette.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

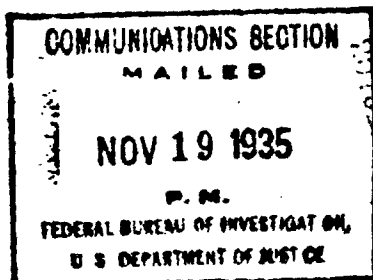
Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

In keeping with telephonic conversations had between you and Mr. Tamm of the Bureau, the Bureau desires to make specific reference to the letter of the Detroit Office to the Bureau, a copy of which was sent to the Oklahoma City Office, reflecting information obtained by Special Agent A. A. Hussey at the time he covered a conversation between Mr. A. B. Wilson and Wynona Burdette, the conversation disclosing that Harry Campbell had undoubtedly been in contact with relatives of Wynona Burdette within recent months.

In keeping with the above reference, please refer to the report of Special Agent W. E. Matney, dated at Detroit, Michigan, November 12, 1935, disclosing a further interview with Wynona Burdette. The Bureau considers the information furnished by Agent Matney quite significant, particularly that portion of the above mentioned report in which Wynona Burdette informed that Campbell is willing to undertake menial labor, that he is attached to the oil field work and would undoubtedly go to Tulsa, Oklahoma, where she believes he can be found at the present time. She has also informed that on several occasions she had difficulty in keeping him from returning to Oklahoma; that Campbell is very much attached to his mother and that she believes he would visit his mother even though it meant his apprehension.

In line with the information obtained by Agent Hussey, the report of Agent Matney discloses that Wynona Burdette advised that she believes it is probable that subject Campbell is at present in contact with his relatives in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and believes that it



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is quite probable that Campbell may contact members of her family.⁶ The Bureau also considers significant the change of attitude on the part of Wynona Burdette to the effect that she will furnish information relative to the apprehension and location of Campbell in view of the fact that she feels she would rather have him in custody than have him get killed.

You will recall that heretofore Wynona Burdette has been willing to furnish information relating to other members of the gang, but has been unwilling to assist in any manner which would result in the apprehension of Campbell. It is desired that the report of Agent Latney should be given careful consideration in connection with future investigation relative to the location of Campbell.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago.

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November 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

As of possible assistance to you in future investigations, there are forwarded to you herewith six photographs of each of the following individuals:

Alvin Karpis
Harry Campbell
Charles Joseph Fitzgerald
Dr. Joseph P. Moran
William J. Harrison.

The photographs of Doris O'Connor are also being transmitted herewith.

Very truly yours,

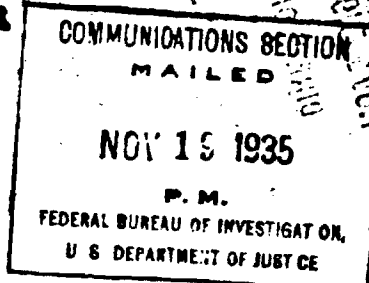
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AT WEST LIBERTY, WEST VIRGINIA

Postmaster Thelma Forbes of West Liberty stated that she does not know of any locality referred to as Shannon in the vicinity of West Liberty; that the Shannon described in the letter from the Cleveland Office would be situated, if existing, in the Short Creek District extending for seven miles from West Liberty to the Ohio River; that the said district is partially within the territory of the West Liberty Post Office and partially within that of the post office at Short Creek, West Virginia. She stated that she knows of no gambling establishment operated within the said district known as Yankee Creek or as Yankee Lake; that the only creek in the district is Short Creek and that the only lake is an artificial pond known as the "Avalon" not situated in the Short Creek District, but located some seven miles towards Elm Grove, West Virginia, operated during the summer months by ARTHUR STICKLER of Wheeling, West Virginia who dug the pond as a development to his real estate interests in the vicinity.

Upon being exhibited the photograph of Ernie LaSalle, Postmaster Thelma Forbes stated that she at no time saw in West Liberty the man portrayed thereon; she stated that as she could not give any lead towards ascertaining the information desired, knowing it to be a fact that Clark Wolf hereinbefore mentioned and Clarence Porter of the "Red Onion," have no associates in their business. It may be noted that Postmaster Thelma Forbes made it clear that neither Porter nor Wolf are actually operating what might be termed a gambling joint.

AT SHORT CREEK, WEST VIRGINIA

Postmaster J. H. Wilhelm of Short Creek, West Virginia stated that there existed some thirty years ago a post office known as Shannon, West Virginia, the post office being located in the house of a man named Shannon, which house has been since sold to a Mrs. MAHREK, situated about half way between Short Creek and West Liberty, on the Short Creek Road. Postmaster Wilhelm stated that though there existed a post office named Shannon, there was at no time any town or village known as such, that the Shannon Post Office was operated by the Shannons in connection with their store and was in reality a point at which farmers and miners located along Short Creek, called for their mail. Postmaster Wilhelm stated that when the post office was discontinued some thirty years ago, the district was covered by Short Creek, West Virginia, Post Office through the

establishment of Free Delivery Route Number 2. The carrier in the said route has been for years J. W. HARRIS, a farmer residing some two miles from Short Creek, West Virginia who is very well acquainted with people residing in the neighborhood.

Postmaster J. E. Wilhelm could give no information concerning a gambling resort known as Yankee Creek or Yankee Lake, referred to as being situated in the general direction of Short Creek. The Postmaster could not identify the photograph of Ernie LaSalle, furnished by the Cleveland Office.

J. W. Harris stated that he has resided in the Short Creek District for many years; that he is certain that there is no gambling resort in the district known as Yankee Lake or Yankee Creek, and that as a matter of fact, he knows of no gambling resort which might be known under another name in the northern section of Ohio County, West Virginia. Mailcarrier J. W. Harris stated that he knows Clark Wolf who up to some three months ago conducted the Brookside Service Station in the Short Creek District; that Wolf operated, in connection with the said service station, a dance hall, possibly sold some moonshine, but at no time operated a gambling joint. Rural carrier Harris stated that Wolf discontinued the dance hall and the service station and went back to work early in the spring of 1935 for the West Power Company Plant at Power, West Virginia.

Rural carrier J. W. Harris also stated that he is also well acquainted with Clarence Porter, operator of the "Red Onion;" that the "Red Onion" may be described as being a small roadhouse, frequented mostly by miners and farmers, handling possibly some liquor and beer. He stated that the "Red Onion" is situated along the south branch of Short Creek and is served by the Wheeling, West Virginia Post Office; that he, however, has on occasions been in the "Red Onion;" that he noticed no gambling going on there and that he is certain that Clarence Porter is associated with no one.

Rural carrier J. W. Harris could not identify the photograph of Ernie LaSalle herein mentioned.

UNDEVELOPED LEAD

THE CLEVELAND OFFICE is requested to interview the original informant of Prosecuting Attorney Frazier Beams and attempt to procure from him additional information concerning the possible location of Ernie LaSalle bearing in mind that the informant of Prosecutor Beams might have been in error in giving Shannon, West Virginia as the place in which LaSalle is located now.

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November 19, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 512,
Chicago, Illinois.

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Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I.O.#1218, et al; Edward George Bremer,
Victim - KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of October 31, 1935 to the
St. Paul Office, in which the Chicago Office was requested to inter-
view Marie Marian Comforti and Bessie Green with regard to Tom Brown,
Bill Crumbly and Harry Sawyer.

The report of Special Agent J. L. Madala, dated at Chicago,
Illinois, November 14, 1935, while disclosing an interview with Irene
Dorsey, fails to show the requested interviews with Marie Marian
Comforti and Bessie Green and it is observed that no undeveloped lead
is set forth for said office to conduct such interviews. In keeping
with my letter of October 31, 1935, it is again requested that the
interviews with Marie Marian Comforti and Bessie Green be expedited
and the Bureau advised of the results promptly.

The Bureau observes that after Bessie Green was apprehended
in St. Paul, Minnesota, in connection with the Bremer and Dillinger
cases, she furnished valuable information with regard to Tom Brown
and others on numerous occasions. The Bureau observes that a summary,
showing in detail all of the information furnished by Bessie Green,
was never submitted in the form of a report. The Chicago Office is,
therefore, requested to immediately review its files and make a report
showing all of the information furnished by Bessie Green. It is felt
that pertinent information which she furnished in the Dillinger case
may now be reported in the Bremer case, when such summary is prepared.

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAILED Very truly yours,

NOV 19 1935

John Edgar Hoover,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
Director.

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November 20, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

RE: Confiscated Automobiles.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated September 18, 1935, in which you were informed that it would be satisfactory for the three seized cars now in the possession of your office to be used in connection with undercover work being conducted in the Bremer and Weyerhaeuser cases.

It is the desire of the Bureau that these cars be disposed at the earliest possible date. Please advise immediately when these cars have been disposed of.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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F B I CHICAGO NOVEMBER 18, 1935. 11-40 AM MFC
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PHONE. BREKID. REFERENCE PAGE 16 REPORT AGENT BROWN, CHICAGO, DATED
10-16-35 AND MY TELETYPE 11-15-35 [REDACTED] VISITED RED
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KARPIS. [REDACTED] CLAIMS TO KNOW DEROCHE, WHO IS CAPONE
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OPERATING AND KNOWS VARIOUS HIDEOUTS AND HOODLIMS. AUTHORITY REQUESTED
ADVANCE [REDACTED] \$50.00 FOR EXPENSES TRIP TO KENOSHA COUNTY TO VISIT
CARAVELLE AND OTHER HOODLUM CONTACTS AND HIDEOUTS PURPOSE DETERMINING
IF KARPIS THERE. NO NEW DEVELOPMENTS AS TO SURVEILLANCE KAGPAVICH FAMILY.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Boston, Massachusetts.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O.#1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter of the Boston Office to the Detroit Office dated November 8, 1935 disclosing that Cassius McDonald and three other persons have been identified as the parties who on June 1, 1934, by means of an old pay off swindle, took \$20,000 in cash from John Capobianco, a contractor at 125 Chiswick Road, Brighton, Massachusetts. It is noted therein that Mr. Capobianco and his attorney, Philip Adams of Boston, are presently considering a trip to St. Paul for the purpose of identifying Cassius McDonald as a participant in the above-mentioned swindle. The above-mentioned letter discloses that Capobianco has partly identified a photograph of Cassius McDonald as being identical with John Patterson, who was alleged to have participated in this swindle.

There are transmitted herewith three of the most recent photographs of Cassius McDonald. It is requested that these photographs be immediately exhibited to Mr. Capobianco, to determine whether McDonald is, in fact, identical with John Patterson. If such an identification is made positive by victim Capobianco, the Bureau should be advised immediately. You should also keep the Bureau currently advised as to the anticipated trip of Capobianco and Adams to St. Paul for the purpose of identifying McDonald as John Patterson.

Please advise the Bureau of the results of your interview with Capobianco.

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Very truly yours,

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cc - J. J. Connelley, Chicago
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

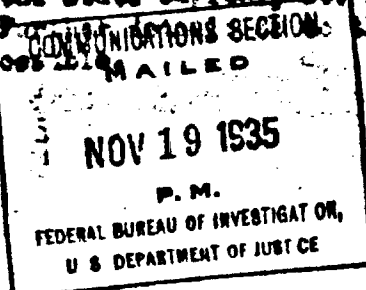
Dear Sir:

The Bureau desires that you arrange to have Special Agent
D. P. Sullivan of the Chicago Office proceed to the Nebraska State
Penitentiary at Lincoln, Nebraska, in the immediate future and inter-
view Jess Doyle for all information which may be obtained relating
to the above entitled case. Before proceeding to Lincoln, Nebraska,
Agent Sullivan should review all reports containing information per-
tinent to the interview and should be thoroughly familiar with all
the information which might be expected of Jess Doyle.

Information should be obtained from Doyle which might
assist in the location of the fugitive members of the Karpis - Barker
gang. It is desired that information be developed implicating others
in this matter. The Bureau feels that Jess Doyle may now be willing
to furnish information which may be used as evidence against Harry
Dawyer and William Weaver during the course of the forthcoming trial.
For this reason, it is requested that Doyle be asked to relate all of
the activities of the gang in detail immediately preceding the kidnaping
of Mr. Bremer.

Please have reference to the letter of the Omaha Office dated
November 11, 1935, which discloses that a man in the State Apprehension
Bureau, at the State Capitol, St. Paul, Minnesota, was used to tip off
the gang. This matter should be obtained from
Boyle, if possible.

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Reference is also made to that portion of the above mentioned letter in which Doyle alleges that he saw Alvin Karpis in the vicinity of the County Jail at Fairbury, Nebraska, on June 12, 1935. More detailed information should be obtained from Doyle along this line, if possible.

Reference is now made to page three of the above mentioned letter in which it is reported, "Doyle stated that it is a fact that Karpis does have contacts from coast to coast, and in his opinion some of the higher ups implicated in the Bremer kidnaping have not been apprehended." The Bureau desires that information be obtained from Doyle as to the identity of the said contacts of Alvin Karpis. The Bureau also wishes to learn in detail the identity of the "higher ups" who are alleged to be implicated in the Bremer kidnaping.

It does not appear from the reference letter that Doyle was specifically interrogated with regard to the part played in the Bremer kidnaping by Tom Brown, Bill Crabbey and Harry Sawyer, of St. Paul. With regard to this matter please refer to Bureau letter to the St. Paul Office, dated October 31, 1935, which sets out the allegations of Edna Murray as to the part played by Tom Brown. A review of the files in the Chicago Office will disclose numerous allegations on the part of Edna Murray, Volney Davis, Bryant Bolton and Beaulieu Green to the effect that Tom Brown participated in the Bremer kidnaping. It is desired that all available information along this line be obtained from Jess Doyle.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc St. Paul
Cincinnati
Cleveland
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Los Angeles, Calif.	11/16/35	10/1 to 11/15/35	E. D. WHITE
TITLE			CHARACTER OF CASE
ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE. I. O. #1818, et al. Edward George Bremer, Victim			KIDNAPING - HARBORING AND OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No information available at Glendale, California, concerning a family named Wheeler. C. P. Turner, accompanied by Benjamin Lorenz on June 3 and 4, 1935, at Phoenix, Arizona, not identical with subject KARPIS. Criminal record of WILLIAM KIMER/MEAD, Los Angeles Police Department, failed to reflect circumstances of arrest and return to San Quentin. .32 Colt Automatic Pistol No. 404724, received by B. H. Dyas Company, Los Angeles, February 11, 1932, sold or sent to San Diego. George McKenzie has no information concerning CHARLES J. FITZGERALD'S present whereabouts. ETHEL E. CHEYNE, 907 East 81 St., Los Angeles, is the daughter-in-law of George McKenzie. A. J. BROWN not identical with Alvin Karpis. E. WEBBER does not know whereabouts of L. J. LENON. Mrs. MILHAUS and Mr. and Mrs. PAUL KUHN know nothing concerning whereabouts or identity of Charles J. Fitzgerald. MARY and WILLIAM DICK heard nothing from WILLIAM HARRISON since his visit to Los Angeles. Disposition of FRANK FOSTER'S arrest at Los Angeles on July 2, 1930, and September 18, 1931, obtained. Disposition sheet submitted herewith. Mrs. GEORGE LEHNHOFF left forwarding address at Los Angeles for 1319 E. Street, Lincoln, Nebraska. PAT ABEL en route to Pueblo, Colorado, on bank robbery charges is an alleged contact of subject KARPIS.

REFERENCE:

Letters of the Director dated October 4, 1935, and November 1, 1935; letter from Special Agent in Charge B. M. Ladd, Chicago, dated Nov. 5, 1935; reports of Special Agent Wm. J. McNulty, New York City, dated

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October 3, 1935; Special Agent W. E. Marshall, Phoenix, Arizona, dated October 4, 1935; Special Agent Lee F. Malone, New York City, dated April 17, 1935; Special Agent F. G. Tillman, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated August 16, 1935; Special Agent C. D. White, Los Angeles, dated April 20, 1935, and September 11, 1935; Special Agent H. W. Costello, Indianapolis, Ind., dated April 12, 1935, and Special Agent C. D. White, Los Angeles, dated March 18, 1935.

DETAILS:

This Agent at Glendale, California, through the office of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Apartment House and Hotel Association, ascertained that no person by the name of WHEELER operated a hotel or apartment house, according to the records of that Association. Numerous inquiries were made by the writer at hotels in Glendale, California, but no information could be obtained from the proprietors thereof relative to the identity of a Wheeler operating an hotel at that place. Detective Lieutenants Busuy and Woodard, Vice Detail, Glendale Police Department, were interviewed and advised that to their knowledge there were no hotels of a questionable nature operating at Glendale, California, and that in their work on the Detail they had at no time heard of an individual by the name of Wheeler operating a hotel. The above-named detectives stated, however, that they would make further inquiry as to the identity of Wheeler or the possibility of his operating some rooming house in Glendale unknown to them. Subsequent to this Agent's interview with these individuals they advised telephonically that their investigation failed to reveal that one Wheeler operates a hotel, apartment house or rooming house of any nature in Glendale, California.

This Agent contacted Lieutenant Detective Robinson, Hotel Detail, Los Angeles Police Department, who is personally known by the writer to be in constant communication with Post Office Inspector Herbert Graham, New York City, and referred to in reference report. In view of the cooperation rendered by the above-named detective to Mr. Graham in matters of interest to Mr. Graham in the past, Mr. Robinson advised that he had recently written to Mr. Graham with reference to the inquiry on the part of this Agent relative to the whereabouts of MEAD, Robinson stating that he had received a reply from Mr. Graham to the effect that Graham had no information indicating that Mead was on the West Coast. Mr. Robinson was subsequently interrogated by this Agent as to the identity of any individual named Wheeler who might be operating a questionable hotel in Los Angeles or vicinity, in that Lieutenant Robinson works the metropolitan area of Los Angeles in the furtherance of his work on the Hotel Detail. Mr. Robinson in this connection advised that he was familiar with most of the hotel operators in Glendale, California, but that he had not at any time heard of anyone by the name of Wheeler operating an hotel at that place; that in the event he should in the future obtain any information concerning this individual he will immediately communicate the same to this office.

With reference to C. P. TURNER, 734 Masseline, Los Angeles, this Agent ascertained that this is a highly respectable residential community, the residents thereof being people of considerable means. The writer's observation of the premises disclosed

that the garage contained a 1934 Cadillac Convertible Sedan, bearing 1935 California License plates #2X-2503, referred to in report of reference. The writer upon observing Mr. Turner could see that he was not identical with subject KARPIS and, therefore, interviewed him at his residence relative to his travels through Arizona on June 3 and 4, 1935, particularly at Phoenix, Arizona. Mr. Turner in this connection advised that he was accompanied by Mr. BENJAMIN LORENZ, who resides at 6344 Ascot Drive, Oakland, California; that Mr. Lorenz, like himself, is and has been for a number of years associated with the Pacific Rubber & Tire Manufacturing Company of Oakland, California. Mr. Turner described Mr. Lorenz as being - Age, 45 years; Height, 6'1"; Weight, 230; Build, heavy; Hair, brown to gray. It is not deemed necessary, therefore, to request the San Francisco office to make any investigation with respect to Mr. Lorenz and the possibility of his being identical with subject Karpis.

Reference is made to the letter of the Director dated November 1, 1935, directed to Special Agent in Charge of the Jacksonville, Florida, Bureau office relative to the issuance of an identification order on WILLIAM KIMER MEAD and the securing of several dispositions concerning his criminal record which had not as yet been obtained. Letter of reference reflects Mead's criminal record, unsupported by fingerprints, which discloses that MEAD was arrested on January 22, 1906, at Los Angeles, California, and appears to have been returned to San Quentin the same year.

In an effort to obtain the facts and circumstances concerning Mead's arrest in Los Angeles and the circumstances under which he was returned to San Quentin, this Agent examined the records at the Bureau of Identification, Los Angeles Police Department. The records reflect the following:

Name	KIMER W. MEAD, aliases: William Mead, "Christ Kid", J. W. Foster, J. W. Barker, J. W. Parker.
LAPD	#3741
F. P. C.	1 U II 5
Height	17 R II 2
Weight	5'9"
Hair	139 lbs.
Eyes	Chestnut
	Blue

With reference to the above record a check was made at the Identification Bureau of the Sheriff's Office, Los Angeles, but no record of MEAD could be found.

With reference to the recorded arrest of January 22, 1906, at Los Angeles, the writer inquired as to whether or not there was any jacket accompanying the record reflecting any circumstances of the arrest or the identity of the arresting officers. Advice was received in this respect to the effect that in 1906 the Police Department's method of keeping records was a hit-and-miss system and no information was set out with reference to the arrest.

Inquiry was made through the Bunco, Pick-pocket, Burglary and Robbery Details of the Los Angeles Police Department, among the individuals who have been in service for a number of years, in an effort to secure information relative to the arrest, above referred to. No information, however, could be obtained. The record at San Diego, California, as of September 24, 1906, Charge, Grand Larceny, will be obtained for any information relative to Mead's relatives, the circumstances of his arrest, etc.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent Lee F. Malone, New York City, dated April 17, 1935, requesting the disposition by B. H. DYAS COMPANY, Los Angeles, California, of .32 Calibre Colt Automatic Pistol #404724 shipped to them by the Colt Patent Firearms Company on February 7, 1922. The writer interviewed Mr. B. H. Dyas, 100 North McCadden Place, Los Angeles, California, who advised that the old B. H. Dyas Company had gone out of existence a number of years ago and was supplanted by the DYAS-CLINE SPORTING GOODS COMPANY, which subsequently went out of existence, and that he, Mr. Dyas, had no idea where the records of the old company might be.

Mr. GEORGE T. CLINE, of the Dyas-Cline Sporting Goods Company, was interviewed and he stated that the old Dyas-Cline Sporting Goods Company had been sold many years ago at auction and that it was his recollection that the records which had been transferred from B. H. Dyas Company to the Dyas-Cline Company, subsequently known as Cline and Cline, were destroyed.

Further inquiry on the part of the writer through various sporting goods stores in Los Angeles disclosed that possibly the Broadway Department Store of Los Angeles may have taken over most of the merchandise of the B. H. Dyas Company and its various subsidiary concerns. In this connection the writer contacted Mr. A. WILSON, in charge of the Broadway Department Store, Sporting Goods Department, who stated that he was of the opinion that the Broadway Department Store had received all of the records of the old Dyas Company. A search on the part of Mr. Wilson disclosed that the gun in question had been shipped to B. H. Dyas and was received by B. H. Dyas on February 14, 1922, and was sold or sent to the FIFTH STREET LOAN OFFICE, San Diego, California. Mr. Wilson was unable to enlighten the writer as to the identity or the nature of business of the above-mentioned San Diego concern. Investigation will be conducted at San Diego in this regard.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent F. G. Tillman, St. Paul, Minn., dated August 16, 1935, and the letter of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, Chicago, dated November 5, 1935, particularly to Paragraph three of reference letter, and the addresses secured through mail cover on ~~HAIR~~ ~~BOSS~~ set out in reference report. In

this connection relative to the investigation requested in reference letter on 5. 7. 28. FITZGERALD through the address of 3547 Sabina Street, Los Angeles, it is stated that it has previously been determined and reported that Mr. and Mrs. George McKenzie formerly resided at 3547 Sabina Street, after which Mrs. McKenzie moved to 907 East 81st Street with her son by a former marriage, PERRY CHEYNE. It was further ascertained that George McKenzie has been for a number of years employed by the Union Pacific Railway Company in various capacities. His personal record at that place, as furnished by Mr. K. P. Deline, Chief Special Agent, reflects that George McKenzie is an American citizen, born at Atchison, Kansas; that he was employed on August 28, 1922, as a switchman at Yermo, California, and remained there until 1925, at which time he was transferred to Las Vegas, Nevada, where he remained until February 15, 1926; that on August 9, 1927, he was transferred to the Los Angeles division and until recently has been stationed at Los Angeles; that he then for a short period of time was transferred to the division running from Yermo, California, to Las Vegas, Nevada, as a brakeman, subsequently being transferred back to the Los Angeles division running from Los Angeles to Las Vegas, Nevada, and that he is presently residing at the Oriatt Hotel, 1315 South Flower St., Room 437, Telephone: PROspect 2227.

Mr. K. P. Deline advised that McKenzie's record and his reputation, as personally known by Mr. Deline, are excellent with the company and that he has been considered an exceptionally reliable employee, having exhibited this particular trait on numerous instances of theft of company property; that it was his information that McKenzie for some time had been having considerable marital trouble and that, in his opinion, McKenzie would have no hesitancy in giving any information relative to any friends of his, McKenzie's, wife in which this Bureau might be concerned or interested.

GEORGE MCKENZIE was interviewed on two different occasions by this Agent, who stated that he has since the time they moved from the Sabina Street address previously mentioned been separated from his wife and his wife has presently instigated divorce proceedings which will be culminated in the near future in the courts at Los Angeles; that his wife has for some time been residing with her son by a former marriage, PERRY CHEYNE, previously mentioned, at 907 East 81st St., Los Angeles. Upon being questioned as to whether or not he is acquainted with one BELLE BORN, Mr. McKenzie stated that he had met her on one occasion when they resided on Sabina Street; that he personally knew very little concerning the identity of Belle Born or how his wife had happened to make her acquaintance. He stated that unquestionably they are very warm friends because of their continued contact one with the other and the further fact that Belle Born has promised his wife to take her on a trip to Honolulu, all expenses paid, some time this Winter; that he, McKenzie, would not be at all surprised if Belle Born should appear as a witness for his wife in her divorce proceedings against him.

This Agent questioned Mr. McKenzie at length with respect to any visitors Belle Born had during the period she visited with them on Sabina Street but Mr. McKenzie was unable to recall any visitors had by that individual during that visit. Mr. McKenzie was exhibited photograph of subject FITZGERALD, whereupon he stated that, to his knowledge, he has never seen the individual whose likeness was exhibited to him.

In view of the fact that reference report recites that surveillance is to be maintained on BELLE BORN, who is presently at Mankato, Minnesota, no observation of the activities of Mrs. McKenzie will be made at this time.

With further reference to letter of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, Chicago, dated November 5, 1935, and particularly to Paragraph 3 thereof relative to investigation conducted through the wife of C. C. CAMPBELL, brother of subject HARRY CAMPBELL, the following investigation was conducted. It will be recalled that C. C. Campbell, who was operating a small grocery store at Willowbrook, near Compton, California, was identified by the postmaster at Willowbrook as being the husband of Mrs. C. C. Campbell of Compton, whom she had known a number of years ago. In view of the fact that Mrs. C. C. Campbell has been attempting to locate her husband to secure his financial assistance with respect to herself and children and that it was felt, had she been advised as to the whereabouts of C. C. Campbell, that she unquestionably would go to him in an effort to secure such assistance, it was not deemed advisable to apprise Mrs. Campbell of the whereabouts of the person identified as her husband.

Further conference was had by this Agent with Sergeant Andrews of the Compton Police Department and the surveillance maintained through him of the C. C. Campbell in question, Sergeant Andrews advising that subject Campbell had not put in an appearance in the vicinity of the store and that C. C. Campbell had not left the vicinity since the above identification and, further, in view of the fact that the only identification as to the identity of C. C. Campbell was made through the postmaster at Willowbrook, it was decided that Mrs. Campbell should be permitted to observe this person upon the promise of Mrs. Campbell that, should it develop that the individual was her husband, she would take no steps with respect to his prosecution or take any action which might prompt C. C. Campbell to leave the vicinity. Mrs. Campbell, upon observing the C. C. Campbell identified as her husband, stated that he was not her husband. Mrs. Campbell is presently residing at 411-E Compton Boulevard, Compton, California.

On the last interview had with Mrs. Campbell she stated that her son a few days prior thereto met an individual whose name her son did not know, who a number of years ago knew C. C. Campbell; that it was apparent to her son that this individual did not know that C. C. Campbell had deserted his family; that her son made no effort to so inform him and that this person made a passing remark to her son that he had heard that his father was working for the Standard Oil Company at a refinery in Brea, or La Brea, California. She stated that Brea is in the Wilmington district; that her son has no idea as to the identity of the person with whom he talked, stating that he hadn't seen him for a number of years and doesn't recall ever having known him by name.

In connection with the above Mr. R. C. JOHNSON, Chief Special Agent of the Standard Oil Company, was interviewed. Mr. Johnson, through his own records and the records of the main office at San Francisco, California, requested a check to be made to determine whether or not CLKLL or C. C. CAMPBELL was employed under that name by the Standard Oil Company at any place in this district, or elsewhere, Mr. Johnson in this connection advising that the records failed to reflect any such employment.

Reference is made to letter of Special Agent in Charge E. J. Connelley, Chicago, dated August 24, 1935, and report of this Agent dated Los Angeles September 11, 1935, relating to a shipment from Chicago by one A. J. BROWN, tentatively identified as Alvin Karpis at the Chicago freight office. On October 1, 1935, A. J. Brown called at the freight house of the Southern Pacific Railway Company at 1251 North Spring Street for the articles in question. Mr. F. Hansen, in charge of Shed A where the articles were stored, immediately advised this office, as previously arranged. Special Agent in Charge J. E. P. Dunn, accompanied by Special Agent Albert Miller, proceeded to the above-mentioned location and observed A. J. BROWN, who was driving a new Dodge Sedan, which bore no plates. This party was tailed by the above mentioned to the DuBarry Apartments, Fifth and Catalina Streets, Los Angeles, where the articles in question were taken in by the driver of the car and where that party remained.

It was ascertained by this Agent that Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Brown are occupying Apartment 720 and that Mr. Brown is a member of Anson Weeks' Orchestra, who are presently filling an engagement at the Palomar, a large dance hall, located at Third and Vermont Streets, Los Angeles. This Agent subsequently observed Mr. Brown on the opening night of their engagement at the above-mentioned dance hall and from this Agent's observation he was obviously not Alvin Karpis; however, he was subsequently interviewed at his apartment by this Agent, at which time it was definitely determined that he was not subject Karpis, Mr. Brown in this connection stating that he had been associated with Anson Weeks for ten years; that his home is in San Francisco, Calif., although he has been filling engagements with the above orchestra all over the United States; that his wife's people, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Lee, also reside at San Francisco, as reflected in report of Special Agent M. W. Acers, San Francisco, dated September 20, 1935.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent H. W. Costello, Indianapolis, Indiana, dated April 12, 1935, relating to Browning 12-Gauge Automatic Shotgun #92870 purchased from the Em-Roe Sporting Goods Company of Indianapolis, Indiana, on August 27, 1927, which requests that Mr. A. H. WEBBER of 272 South Pershing Drive, Los Angeles, whose signature appears on the Purchase Order #8606, be interviewed relative to the transaction, the identity of Mr. L. J. LENON and his present whereabouts and, through Mr. Lenon, to determine what disposition was made of the Automatic shotgun in question.

The residence of Mr. Webber was determined to be 272 South Crescent Drive, Beverly Hills, California. Numerous inquiries on the part of this Agent failed to locate anyone at home at the above premises. Mrs. Webber was finally located and she advised that Mr. Webber had been out of the city, traveling extensively, but was expected to return in the very near future. Mr. Webber after some time was interviewed at the above address and, upon being exhibited the order in question, stated that the signature of A. H. Webber appearing thereon was not his; that he was of the opinion that the shotgun in question was probably given away by the company as a prize or a gift in the furtherance of the trade; that such transactions were common and that many similar gifts were given by The Gibson Company.

With respect to the location of Mr. Lenon, Mr. Webber advised that he was unable to state where that individual could be found but that, unquestionably, Mr.

J. A. CADDEN, who was the sales manager of The Gibson Company on the day the transaction in question was made and who is the present manager of The Gibson Company at South Bend, Indiana, knows the whereabouts of Mr. Lenon; that in the event Mr. Cadden was not aware of Mr. Lenon's whereabouts that Mr. E. M. GASS, the present sales manager of The Gibson Company at Indianapolis probably would know and that, in the event that individual did not know the whereabouts of Mr. Lenon, Mr. W. M. MARLEN, manager of The Gibson Company, Terre Haute, Indiana, might know, Mr. Webber advising in this respect that, if during his travels around the country he should ascertain the whereabouts of Mr. Lenon, he would immediately advise this office.

Reference is made to letter of the Director dated October 4, 1935, the last paragraph of Page 4, relative to the sale by CHARLES FITZGERALD, as C. J. MURPHY, giving as reference Mrs. J. D. MILHAUS, 1416 Micheltorena Street, Los Angeles. In this connection investigation was conducted as to the identity of Mrs. Milhaus, which was previously reported by this Agent at Los Angeles on April 20, 1935. Surveillance of the premises being unproductive Mrs. Milhaus was interviewed relative to her knowledge of Charles Fitzgerald and his identity. Mrs. Milhaus advised that she formerly managed the court at 1416 Micheltorena Street; that the majority of the tenants had resided there for a long period of time; that during the period of her managership there were only two or three new tenants in the court. Upon being shown a photograph of FITZGERALD and being furnished with a description of that individual, as well as BELLE BORN, Mrs. Milhaus advised that she did not at any time have tenants answering the description of Fitzgerald or Belle Born nor did she recall any instance of an individual by the name of MURPHY giving her name as a credit reference, with the exception of the incident mentioned in reference report whereupon she was interviewed under pretext relative to C. J. Murphy. Mrs. Milhaus appears to be a refined and reliable individual.

With further reference to C. J. MURPHY and his residence at Long Beach, California, at the Campbell Apartment Hotel, 130 Linden Avenue, Long Beach, Mr. and Mrs. KUHN were again interviewed and advised that they had heard nothing further from the Murphy's; that no mail has been directed to them at the hotel and no request has been received with respect to the forwarding of any mail for them. The Operator's License mentioned in reference report as being directed to Murphy at the above hotel is still there and has not been called for.

With further reference to the letter of the Director dated October 4, 1935, particularly to Page 2, Paragraph 2, relating to the interview of this Agent with the relatives of WILLIAM J. HARRISON at Los Angeles, California, as reflected in this Agent's report of March 18, 1935, these relatives were interviewed as well as MARY DICK and her father at 300 North Wall Drive, Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, California. Mr. DICK could offer no information with respect to the visit of Harrison because he only passed the time of the day with him on the occasion of the visit to his daughter, Mary Dick; that he looked with disfavor upon the visit and advised Mary Dick to have nothing further to do with him.

MARY DICK was interviewed in detail in an effort to ascertain, if possible,

any contacts Harrison might have made or had while in Los Angeles. Miss Dick in this connection stated that she was only with Harrison on two occasions, one of which she was taken to dinner by him, which is the occasion previously mentioned when Harrison, upon seeing police officers entering the premises, became nervous and departed. She stated that in connection with particular instance she for the first time noticed that Harrison carried a gun in a shoulder holster; that she questioned him about his possession of the gun and he advised her that it was for his own protection in case of trouble. She further advised that the occasion of her second engagement with Harrison, during the period of his visit in Los Angeles, was a trip to one of the gambling boats, she believes the "Tango", on which occasion they gambled for a short time, had dinner and then left the boat; that she did not observe Harrison on the occasion of this visit to the ship make any contacts with any of the members of the crew, the owners of the boat or the dealers in the various games on the boat. Miss Dick further advised that, prior to Harrison's departure, he advised her he would send her some presents at a later date but these were never received from him by her. She further advised that Harrison inquired of her as to whether or not she would be willing to accompany him to Cuba on a vacation. Miss Dick stated that, in view of the fact that she always considered Harrison a braggart and "one to put on airs" she lent little credence to the invitation and did not discuss the matter with him. Miss Dick further advised that since Harrison's departure from Los Angeles she heard nothing further from him.

Reference is made to the letter of the Director dated March 29, 1935, directed to the Special Agent in Charge, Jacksonville, Florida, transmitting photograph and criminal record of FRANK FOSTER, alias FRANK FOREMAN. The above record reflects two arrests of that individual by the Los Angeles Police Department, same being as follows:

Disposition sheet as to the above submitted herewith.

Reference is made to report of Special Agent O. C. Dewey, Omaha, Nebraska, dated March 15, 1935, requesting an interview with Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE LEHNHOFF at the Normandy Hotel, Mrs. Lehnhoff being a sister of HARRY SAWYER. It was ascertained that Mrs. Lehnhoff checked into this hotel March 26th and departed shortly thereafter, leaving a forwarding address of 1319 B Street, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Recently at Los Angeles, California, one GEORGE ALFRED DeMOSS was taken into custody by this Agent for removal to Oklahoma City where he was indicted at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on September 25, 1935, for Fraud against the Government. DeMoss was released on bond October 28, 1935, for his appearance at Tulsa, Oklahoma, on March 1, 1936. Upon his release DeMoss requested an interview with this Agent. He stated in connection therewith that while confined in the Los Angeles County Jail he kept secret the

fact that he was formerly a Deputy U. S. Marshal in Oklahoma. DeMoss further advised that he was personally acquainted with Alvin Karpis, Volney Davis and a number of Oklahoma hoodlums. He stated that during the period of his incarceration at Los Angeles he became acquainted with a prisoner in his cell block by the name of PAT ABEL; that in view of the fact that Pat Abel apparently had many connections in Oklahoma and knew many hoodlums throughout that district they struck up an acquaintance. According to DeMoss, Pat Abel has during some time in the past been closely associated with Alvin Karpis and claims a present close association with that individual. It is the information of DeMoss that Abel is to be tried shortly at Pueblo, Colorado, for numerous bank robberies; that he was expected to be removed to Pueblo, Colorado, shortly after DeMoss' release; that in his, DeMoss', opinion Abel is a vicious character and capable of having an association with Alvin Karpis. DeMoss stated that in view of his, DeMoss', familiarity and acquaintance with Alvin Karpis he gained the confidence of Abel; that Abel gave him, DeMoss, a note bearing the name of Abel's brother, JIM or HERB ABEL, address 419 West 7th St., Pueblo, Colorado; that Abel told DeMoss that Alvin Karpis was in Oklahoma; that, if DeMoss would go to his, Abel's, brother, above-mentioned, that Abel's brother would put him DeMoss in contact with Karpis and that Karpis, upon being advised of Abel's incarceration at Pueblo would effect his escape from the jail at that place.

Mr. DeMoss further stated that it was his intention to proceed to Pueblo, Colorado, and contact the brother of Pat Abel in an effort to bring about the apprehension of Alvin Karpis for whatever reward may be offered.

The records of the Identification Bureau, Sheriff's Office, Los Angeles, were checked relative to Abel. The records merely reflect Pat Abel en route to Pueblo. No information could be obtained as to point of Abel's arrest or the charge on which he was being returned to Pueblo, Colorado. He was described as follows:

Name	PAT ABEL
Age	25 years
Weight	170 lbs.
Height	6'
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Hazel
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UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

The Los Angeles Bureau office at San Diego, California, will endeavor to locate the company known as the Fifth Street Loan Office, to which was shipped, subsequent to February 14, 1922, a .32 Colt Automatic Pistol #404724 and ascertain what disposition was made of that gun.

At San Diego, California, will check the criminal record of WILLIAM MEAD, the circumstances surrounding his arrest at that place on September 24, 1906, their No. 16947, and obtain all information with respect to Mead's activities at that place.

The Los Angeles Bureau office at Los Angeles will continue the investigation in the instant matter, as requested in letter of the Director dated October 4, 1935.

At Pismo Beach, California, will conduct discreet investigation to ascertain if subject KARPIS and CAMPBELL are frequenting that section.

The Denver, Colorado, Bureau Office at Pueblo, Colorado, will conduct appropriate investigation with respect to PAT ABEL's incarceration at that place and the identity and activities of his brother, JIM or HERB ABEL, 419 W. 7th St., Pueblo, Colorado.

The Oklahoma City Bureau Office in connection with GEORGE DeMOSS, will upon his return to Tulsa ascertain from him what information he obtained through the brother of PAT ABEL at Pueblo, Colorado.

The Indianapolis Bureau Office through E. M. GASS, sales manager of The Gibson Company, automotive supplies and equipment, will endeavor to locate L. J. LENON. If he is not located through Mr. Gass he may be located through Mr. J. A. CADDEN, manager of The Gibson Company, South Bend, Indiana, or Mr. W. M. MARLAN, manager of the Gibson Company at Terre Haute, Indiana.

There is attached to the copies of this report for the Indianapolis Office the sales slip covering the gun in question.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent G. B. White, dated at Los Angeles, California November 16, 1935. In connection with your investigation looking toward the location and the surveillance of C. J. Fitzgerald, the Bureau desires that you immediately conduct a thorough review of your file, setting out all possible contacts of Belle Bern and C. J. Fitzgerald in the Los Angeles district. It is then desired that a very thorough investigation go forward at the various points of contact in an effort to locate and cause a proper surveillance of Fitzgerald. The above-mentioned report makes reference to Mrs. George McKensie.

The Bureau desires to point out to you at this time the very obvious importance of Mrs. McKensie as a contact for either Fitzgerald or Belle Bern. In this respect your attention is directed to the report of Special Agent D. E. Hall, dated at Detroit, Michigan March 14, 1935 and the correspondence emanating from the Detroit office on the same subject, in which it is shown that at one time Mr. and Mrs. George McKensie lived at 3547 Sabina Street, Los Angeles; that Belle Bern and C. J. Fitzgerald had a lady's coat sent to Mrs. McKensie at the above address so that it could be later picked up by Belle Bern. The Bureau is not in any manner satisfied with the type of investigation which has been made by your office in this matter to date.

The report of Agent White, above-mentioned, further discloses a very incomplete and unsatisfactory interview with Mr. George McKensie who is apparently willing to furnish all the information in his possession with regard to the association of his wife with Belle Bern. No effort was made by Agent White to determine the first occasion on which Belle Bern became associated with Mrs. McKensie nor is it shown the number of occasions on which she visited at the McKensie home. It was made to ascertain from Mr. McKensie any further contact of Belle Bern in the Los Angeles district in addition to Mrs. McKensie.

The Bureau desires to inform you that very diligent and exhaustive efforts have been made for the past several months by the Chicago and St. Paul offices in close cooperation with one another to develop some information

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through Belle Bern which would lead Agents to the location of G. J. Fitzgerald. The Bureau does not anticipate that a successful investigation can be completed unless all offices in which leads are outstanding work in close cooperation with one another to the ultimate end.

It is now desired to remind you that Bureau letter of October 4, 1935, on Page 5, calls to your attention that Fitzgerald intended to go to Gilman Hot Springs, California for his health. This lead has long been outstanding and has received no attention. The Bureau wishes to be advised as to just what action your office intends to take in an effort to cooperate fully with other offices of the Bureau in order to cause the location of Fitzgerald.

Your attention is now directed to Bureau letter to the Jacksonville office dated November 1, 1935, a copy of which was sent to the Los Angeles office, requesting investigation with regard to the criminal record of William Elmer Head. The Bureau indicated that it desires to issue an identification order on Head at the earliest moment. When matters of this kind are received by your office the Bureau wishes that expeditious and thorough attention be given to them so that the results of your inquiry may be made known to other offices in which pertinent investigation is outstanding.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

CC - E. J. Connelley,
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November 19, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

Reference is made to your memoranda of November 1st and November 15th, 1935, requesting the disposition of Ford Sedan, Motor No. 18-1190702 located at the Jacksonville office of the Bureau.

The matter has been taken up with Mr. Holtzoff and he has advised that on the information given it does not appear that the Department has good title to the car. The Department of Justice is not authorized to make seizures of vehicles and apparently there was no court order or bill of sale conferring title.

In view of the above it is believed that this Department has no authority to dispose of the car through transfer to any other government agency.

Very truly yours,

(s) H.C. Donaldson,
Chief Clerk.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

November 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
Cleveland, Ohio.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, FUGI-
TIVE, I.O. 1218 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES;
OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL
FIREARMS ACT.

Reference is made to your letter of October 23, 1935, as to
the activities of Clarence Heberbrand, William Mitchell and William
Fergus.

It is suggested that inquiry be made of the U. S. District
Court Clerk, Cleveland, Ohio to determine whether the above indicated
individuals made applications for passport in connection with their
supposed travel to Roumania, and provided no record of such passport is
found at Cleveland, it is suggested that the Washington Field office be
furnished with sufficient information in order that they may make simil-
ar inquiry through the State Department, as it is believed that the
association of the three indicated passports may enable us to identify
the mechanic who supposedly accompanied them, and it might be possible
to identify another person as traveling with them who might be Alvin
Karpis, inasmuch as in the past it has been indicated by our informants
and the members of this gang that Karpis at one time contemplated be-
coming associated with Heberbrand and Patton in a slot machine business,
and he might also have traveled to Europe with them.

With reference to the letter of the Oklahoma City office
dated November 16, 1935, as to the five registered letters received by
Maggie Lett, mother of Milton Lett, route 2, Wann, Oklahoma, due to the
possibility that this might be the method by which Campbell is communi-
cating with his parents and possibly furnishing them money from month to
month, it is suggested that the money order division of the Post Office
at Cleveland and Brunswick, Ohio be checked, for the possibility that a
money order was obtained near to the dates of the registered letters in-
dicated, and drawn upon either the Postmaster at Wann, Oklahoma or Tulsa,
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In this same connection it is suggested that the Oklahoma City office also make similar inquiry through the cashing of money orders at Vann and Tulsa, for the possibility that these may be money orders drawn upon the office in question from Cleveland or Brunswick, Ohio. Inquiry also should be made at Tulsa, probably through neighborhood grocery stores in the vicinity of the Campbell home, without disclosing the connection of Campbell with the inquiry, as to whether any money orders have been cashed at the grocery stores there by the members of the Campbell family. Also if Mrs. Campbell or the other members of the family have any banking connections at Tulsa these should be checked.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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November 19, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 et al
Edward George Bremer,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HAR-
BORING OF FUGITIVES; OB-
STRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

With reference to letter of the Kansas City office dated November 14, 1935, requesting advice as to whether or not it was desirable to further cover the mail of Elmer Farmer, it is believed that it would be desirable possibly to cover this mail until such time as the trial of the other defendants at St. Paul has been terminated, which trial will start January 6, 1936.

There is a very slight possibility that something might be said between Elmer Farmer and Helen Conliff which might be of value to us in this case.

Very truly yours,

E. J. Connelley
E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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LETUCK AT DIFFERENT ADDRESS, THIS LATTER PERSON IN HOSPITAL AND VISITED

BY SENIOR KAPPAVICZ AND EMILY NEWBOLD. PHILIP NEWBOLD HUSBAND LATTER

INTERVIEWED TODAY UNDER FAVORABLE CONDITIONS AND CLAIMS DOES NOT BELIEVE

FAMILY KNOWS LOCATION KARPIS AND INDICATED HE DOUBTS HE WOULD DISCLOSE

INFORMATION IF KNOWN TO HIM, HOWEVER, REQUESTED HE BE CONTACTED IN NEAR

FUTURE INDICATING POSSIBILITY WILL DISCLOSE SOMETHING AFTER THINKING

OVER PROPOSITION. SAYS SENIOR KAPPAVICZ AS PER STATEMENTS HIS WIFE EMILY

NEWMAN CLAIMS RECEIVED \$4000. FROM DALORES DELANEY, PHILADELPHIA WHICH

HAD BEEN SEIZED FROM HER AND RETURNED BY AGENTS. NO SUCH AMOUNT INVOLVED

AT PHILADELPHIA AND THIS POSSIBLY A COVER UP STORY FOR FUNDS POSSESSED

BY SENIOR KAPPAVICZ. BALANCE SURVEILLANCE INDICATES NOTHING DEFINITE.

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Mr. Gurnea	
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Date November 16, 1935

Dear Sir:

Division File Number	Print Number	Name and Alias	Disposition
LAPD #131928 SD	1/15/74	FRANK FOSTER, alias Frank Foreman	7-15-30 Released to Chicago
LASO #155946 ✓		FRANK FOSTER, alias Frank Foreman	9-19-31 Released on Bond

Very truly yours,

J. E. P. DUNN
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Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Joseph	_____
Mr. Keith	_____
Mr. Lester	_____
Mr. Quinn	_____
Mr. Schilder	_____
Mr. Tamm	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDWARDS

Re: Anonymous letter to Director.

At the request of Mr. E. A. Tamm, an anonymous letter addressed to the Director, postmarked "Chicago, Illinois, October 26, 1935, 11:30 P.M., Air Mail" has been examined in the Laboratory and the examiners report as follows:

The letter is handwritten in ink on plain white linen-finish stationery containing no watermark or other identifying characteristic. The envelope in which the letter was mailed is of the same kind of stationery as the paper and likewise bears no watermark. The physical characteristics of the stationery have been recorded in the Laboratory.

The material submitted has been examined for latent fingerprints and two impressions of the same finger have been developed on the back of the second page of the letter. These latent impressions do not contain sufficient detail for classification and search through the single fingerprint file, but will be of value for comparison purposes. No latent prints of value were found on the envelope or first sheet of the letter.

The original anonymous communication is being retained in the Laboratory files. Photographic copies are attached hereto.

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Respectfully, &

E. P. Coffey
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Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sirs:

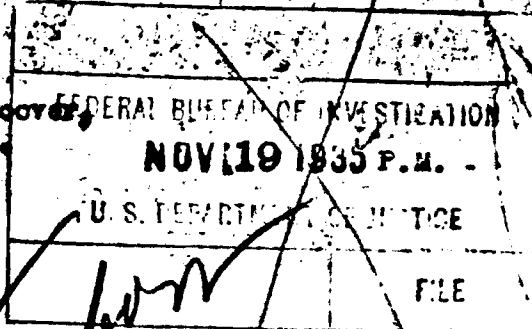
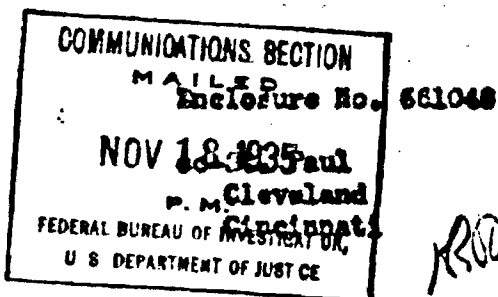
The Bureau is in receipt of an anonymous communication dated October 26, 1935, in which the writer advises that he has many contacts with the underworld and would be willing to assist representatives of the Bureau in causing the apprehension of numerous fugitives.

The Bureau has not seen fit to comply with the suggestion contained in the anonymous letter with regard to the insertion of an advertisement in the Chicago Examiner indicating the willingness of the Bureau to accept the services of this anonymous individual.

For your information, however, there is transmitted herewith a photographic copy of the anonymous communication.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.



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U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812
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November 19, 1935

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Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to Bureau teletype dated November 18, 1935, requesting further specimens of the handwriting of Subject Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

The Chicago Office has examined its file and has found six slips of paper and cards, located in the office of Dr. Moran when same was searched during the latter part of April, 1935. It is not known definitely that all the notations on these cards and slips of paper are in the handwriting of Dr. Moran, but since they bear marked similarities to the known specimens, they are being forwarded herewith to the Bureau. Two group photostatic copies of these specimens are being forwarded with the originals, and it is requested that the originals be returned to the Chicago Bureau Office after they have served their purpose at the Bureau.

Betty Tracey, former fiancée of Dr. Moran, advised today she is unable to furnish any letters or other specimens of his handwriting as she has none in her possession. However, she referred Agent R. D. Brown to Dr. Moran's sister, Mrs. Kate Lauer, Spring Valley, Illinois, who would probably have such specimens. It is expected that Kate Lauer will be interviewed in an effort to obtain further tracings, and also for an interview concerning Dr. Moran's disappearance to date.

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Very truly yours,

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E. J. CONNELLEY
Special Agent in Charge
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
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Laboratory Report

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Number: **7-576-8109**

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Examination requested by: **E. J. Connelley at Chicago**

Date received: **11-22-35 lms**

Examination requested: **Doc.**

Result of examination:

Examination by: Major (2)

7-576-8109 E. On torn card beginning "Land 7038.

" F. On back of card of Horn Palace beginning "Bart Golden".

AIR MAIL

cc- St. Paul
Cincinnati
Chicago

RETURN SPECIMENS

There are some similarities between the submitted specimens reported to be Moran's handwriting & the handwriting on three slips 7276 G; also with handwriting on work sheets formerly submitted. Greatest similarity found in previous examination was with handwriting on work sheets as compared with old handprinted applications for compensation. Sufficient similarity to indicate probability that Moran wrote questioned specimens but additional specimens of handwriting should be obtained especially since present specimens cannot all be definitely ascertained.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

CINCINNATI, OHIO

St. Louis FILE NO. 7-45

REPORT MADE AT St. Louis, Missouri	DATE WHEN MADE 11/19/35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/12, 13/35	REPORT MADE BY H. A. LOUGHRAN
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218 - FUGITIVE, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Dr. L. A. Shaffer, veterinarian, resided at Mt. Carmel, Ill., known at Carmi, Ill., residing at present at Langenfeld Hotel, Centralia, Ill. Shaffer long a resident of Mt. Carmel, Ill., and father and mother reside there at present. Description does not fit that of subject. Resemblance seen however to photograph, but fingerprints are not identical.

REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent D. S. Hostetter, St. Louis, Mo., dated 9/5/35.
Letter of Special Agent in Charge D. M. Ladd, Chicago, Illinois, dated 11/5/35.

DETAILS:

AT CARMI, ILLINOIS

Information obtained from Sheriff Chester Pyle, Carmi, Ill. that there was only one veterinarian at Carmi and that his name was A. J. Cole; that he had his office in a garage about a block from the Court House. The photograph of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, I. O. #1232, was shown to the Sheriff, and he advised that there was not any resemblance to Dr. Cole. He did not know Dr. Shaffer as having practiced at Carmi, Illinois.

Clem Rebstock, Garage, block off of main street to the west, Carmi, Illinois, was interviewed and advised that Dr. Cole was out of town on a call that date; that he did not expect him back until late in the evening. He was questioned as to the description of the doctor, and advised

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that he was about 45, 5'11", 185 pounds, dark brown hair with gray in it, blue eyes and wore glasses. He was shown the photograph of Moran as appearing on the above Identification Order, and advised that there was no resemblance between the two men. He further showed a photograph of Dr. Cole to agent which was part of a group picture of a graduating class and which hung in the doctor's office. The name of Dr. Cole was under the photo of him, and it in no way resembled Dr. Moran, subject.

At the Carmi Post Office, Walter Lowe, a clerk, who was interviewed in the absence of the postmaster advised that Dr. Shaffer, first name not known, who was out of Mount Carmel, Illinois, was a horse doctor and had travelled through Carmi on numerous occasions. The photo of Dr. Joseph P. Moran was exhibited as appearing on Identification Order above, and agent was advised that there was no resemblance to the subject in the features of Dr. Shaffer. He was described as 45, 5'8", 160 pounds, brown hair.

AT MOUNT CARMEL, ILLINOIS

Mr. H. K. Stockman, a local teacher, and his wife, Mrs. Stockman, who has charge of the Western Union Office, Mt. Carmel, Illinois, were interviewed and advised agent that they were both acquainted with Dr. L. A. Shaffer, 1032 Cherry St., Mt. Carmel, Illinois, and that he was at present employed by the State of Illinois at the State Hospital, Anna, Illinois, and had been so employed for the past few months; that he had formerly been practicing medicine as a veterinarian and had lived in Mt. Carmel most all of his life, and that outside of making occasional trips to meetings of his profession, that he regularly lived in that town. His father, Floyd Shaffer, is employed in Parkinson's Grocery in Mt. Carmel, and both parents reside at 1206 Chestnut St. in that city. His wife is still living at 1032 Cherry Street, and the doctor comes regularly home for visits. The photograph, above, of subject Moran was shown to the Stockmans, and they stated that there was a resemblance in the lower part of the face to Dr. Shaffer, but that the eyes were not at all alike. They described the doctor as being about 45, 5'7", 160 pounds, brown hair.

Sheriff M. E. Hastings, Mount Carmel, Ill. was interviewed and questioned about Dr. Shaffer, and advised similarly to what was obtained in the above interview. He stated upon viewing the photo of Dr. Joseph P. Moran that there was somewhat of a resemblance to that of Dr. Shaffer, but that he was quite positive that they were not identical as Dr. Shaffer had always resided in that community and had a good reputation. He was described as being about 45 years of age,

5'7½ to 6", 160 pounds, brown hair, a veterinarian, and at present employed by the State of Illinois at the State Hospital, Anna, Illinois.

Special Agent W. J. Miller learned through L. J. Williams, proprietor Majestic Hotel, Carmi, Illinois, that Dr. Schaffer is at present located in Centralia, Illinois at the Langenfeld Hotel.

Dr. Schaffer was interviewed and was found to bear a striking resemblance to Dr. J. P. Moran. His right index fingerprint was compared with that shown by the pocket identification #15, and it was found to be entirely different.

P E N D I N G

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **Cincinnati, Ohio**

Dallas - FILE NO. 7-33

REPORT MADE AT: DALLAS, TEXAS	DATE WHEN MADE: 11-18-35	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 11-15-35	REPORT MADE BY: H. T. ARTERBERRY
TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, w.a.-FUGITIVE-I.O. #1218. HARRY CAMPBELL, w.a.-FUGITIVE, I.O. #1236. DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, w.a.I.O. #1232; Et Al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Paula Harmon at present inmate of Rusk State Hospital, Rusk, Texas, State Institution for Insane. Her release is indefinite, but she has made good progress toward recovery. Dr. William Thomas, Hospital Supt., Rusk, Texas, believes she has recovered sufficiently to be interviewed in near future.</p>			
REFERENCE: Letter from SAC Connelley, Chicago, Ill., dated 11-12-35.			
DETAILS: <p>Dr. William Thomas, Supt., Rusk State Hospital, Rusk, Texas, advised that Paula Harmon was now an inmate of his hospital having been committed to same on January 20, 1935, from Houston, Harris County, Texas. Dr. Thomas advised that Paula Harmon had made great progress at the institution; that she now took an interest in dancing and other State Hospital activities of a recreational nature; that she appeared to take more interest in life and what was going on in the world; that she had succeeded in banishing a lot of fear from her mind; that when she was first committed to the institution, she would not converse with any of the attendants and appeared to be possessed of the idea that great harm would soon come to her, but that this fear had largely been overcome and she appeared more like a rational person.</p> <p>Dr. Thomas further advised that if her people were able to care for her and desired, he saw no reason why she could not be released from the hospital on trial at least, but that from the best information obtainable her people did not want her for the reason they were not financially able to care for and support her and for this reason he was of the opinion she would be confined there for an indefinite period; that he would notify the Dallas office before she were released.</p>			
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>F. J. Blay</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	7-576-8112	
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Dr. Thomas advised that he gave her a newspaper detailing the account of the killing of Ma Barker and Fred Barker at Oklawaha, Florida several months ago; that she appeared to be amused at the incident and got quite a "giggle" out of the incident. Dr. Thomas further advised that he was of the opinion that she would not converse with a Government representative unless she had advance assurance that she would not be prosecuted.

Dr. Thomas further advised that in his judgment a delay of 30 to 60 days, due to her progress, of the proposed interview, would be more advantageous.

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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

November 19, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 et al
Edward George Bremer, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGI-
TIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

With reference to your letter of November 15, 1935, as to the desirability of interviewing John Contos, it is believed that no harm will be done by interviewing this party as to his knowledge of any concerning Alvin Karpis, and if he should have any knowledge of this nature, his services as an informant should be obtained if he will consider such an arrangement.

It is very doubtful whether this individual actually has any knowledge in this connection.

Very truly yours,

E. J. CONNELLEY,

Special Agent in Charge.

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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
November 14, 1935

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Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; Et Al;
Edward George Bremer - Victim.
Kidnaping.

It was indicated in a recent letter from this office in this case that efforts would be made to establish a suitable surveillance of the residence of the parents of Harry Campbell at Tulsa, Oklahoma. In connection therewith I am attaching hereto copies of a memorandum prepared by Special Agent C. J. Endres in this matter, which relates to his efforts to begin this surveillance, and from which it will be observed that a house has been rented which is adjacent to the Campbell house. A twenty-four hour surveillance of the premises occupied by the Campbells will be maintained for a period immediately preceding and following the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

It is my opinion that it will be necessary to have Agents on this surveillance who are absolutely unknown at Tulsa, and for this reason, Agent Endres has been assigned, as he was never in Tulsa prior to his inquiry in connection with this matter and it, of course, is not known there that he has any connection with the Bureau.

If the plans I have here outlined meet with Bureau approval, it is requested that two Agents be assigned to this surveillance who are absolutely unknown in this territory, and that they report to me not later than the morning of November 24, 1935.

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Very truly yours,

7-576-8115

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

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cc - St. Paul
Cincinnati
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Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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November 15, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. #1218;
et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

On November 12, 1935 Agent proceeded to Tulsa, Oklahoma in his personally owned automobile bearing 1935 California license, on instruction of Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, for the purpose of obtaining a location from which the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Campbell, 618 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, could be placed under surveillance. Special Agent Paul W. Hansen of the Oklahoma City Office previously advised that the house at 820 South Rockford Street possibly would be vacant.

Agent drove to 820 South Rockford Street and there inspected the premises from the outside. There was a "For Rent" sign tacked on the house, which indicated that the key was located at the next house north, which is the Campbell residence. Agent called at the Campbell house and requested to be shown through the vacant house. An elderly man, presumably Mr. Campbell, escorted Agent to the vacant house and explained the various rooms and furnishings. Thereafter, Mr. Campbell stated that Mrs. Woolsey was renting the premises and that he had her address in his house. Agent accompanied Mr. Campbell to his house and was admitted to the front room while Mr. Campbell made a search through his papers in an effort to locate the address of Mrs. Woolsey.

Agent noted that the Campbell residence probably consists of four rooms, a sitting room and a dining room, which has been converted into a bedroom, on the north side of the house, and evidently a bedroom and kitchen on the south side of the house. Mr. Campbell located the address of Mrs. Woolsey as 615 West 9th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, telephone No. 3-4727. Agent requested the use of the Campbell telephone to call Mrs. Woolsey for an appointment and was advised by Mr. Campbell that there was no telephone in his house.

During the above interview Agent introduced himself to Mr. Campbell, using his proper name, and stating that he had recently arrived in Oklahoma from California and was looking for a place to live and for employment in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Agent further advised Mr. Campbell that his wife and brother-in-law would probably live with him at the residence, if rented.

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Agent then contacted Mrs. E. L. Woolsey, 615 West 9th Street, and after the usual preliminaries rented the premises at 820 South Rockford Street, rent to start on November 18, 1935. Agent informed Mrs. Woolsey that he had just arrived in Oklahoma from the vicinity of Los Angeles, California, where he was employed as an insurance salesman, handling accident, health and life insurance, but that he had a disagreement with his company over some commissions and, therefore, was looking for a new location. Further, that he presently was in Oklahoma City, having been there for a few weeks looking for a location, but was not satisfied with Oklahoma City and therefore decided to try to locate in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Agent further informed Mrs. Woolsey that Agent's wife, who was presently suffering with a cold and unable to make the trip to Tulsa, and his brother-in-law, who was out of work, would also live in the house with Agent.

Agent casually inquired of Mrs. Woolsey concerning the neighborhood in which the house was located and was advised by Mrs. Woolsey that there is an elderly couple to the north of the house, who are very fine people and who have two daughters living with them; that these daughters are working some place in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

During the inspection of the premises at 820 South Rockford Street, the following was noted: That the house consists of four rooms, the living room being on the right of the front door, which would be in the northeast portion of the house. Directly behind the living room is a bedroom, which is located in the northwest portion of the house. The south side of the house consists of a bedroom in the front, then a bathroom and then the kitchen. Agent noted that the Campbell house could be viewed from the northwest bedroom, which has a large window on the north and a large window on the west. From the west window the rear yard of the Campbell house can be clearly seen, but the back door of the Campbell house can not be seen for the reason that the Campbell house extends farther back on the lot than the house located at 820 South Rockford. The kitchen and bedroom which are on the south of the Campbell house can be clearly seen from the north window of this vacant house.

Agent further observed that the back yard of the Campbell residence runs very deep, probably about 40 feet; further, that the block in which these houses are located is well built up and that the houses are probably about 15 to 20 feet apart. It was further noted that there is no street car line or bus line that runs on Rockford Street in front of the premises, but that the main thoroughfare is about a block and a half south. Agent also noted that there were no other residences which were unrented on the east side of the street, but that about half a block to the north Agent noticed that there was a furnished duplex for rent.

C. J. ENDRES,
Special Agent.

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Drawer 567
San Francisco, California

November 15, 1935.

Personal and Confidential

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1236; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN,
with aliases, I.O. #1232; ET AL.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTAC-
TION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to personal and confidential Bureau letter of October 31, 1935, to the St. Paul office, Bureau file #7-576, and to personal and confidential letter from the Kansas City office dated November 5, 1935.

Reference letter from the Kansas City office enclosed a copy of the Bureau letter of reference which requested that Volney Davis be questioned regarding the connection of Tom Brown, former Chief of Police and Captain of Detectives and presently a member of the Detective Bureau at St. Paul, Minnesota, Bill Crumbley, a St. Paul detective, and Harry Sawyer with the activities of the Karpis-Barker gang.

Volney Davis was interviewed at Alcatraz Island Federal Penitentiary on November 14, 1935, by Special Agent W. R. Ramsey, at which time he stated that he had previously been interviewed in detail on several separate occasions by Special Agents A. E. Farland, A. J. Norstrom, J. E. Brennan and J. L. Madala with reference to his participation in this case, as well as the Hamm kidnaping case, and with regard to his knowledge of any part played by Tom Brown, Bill Crumbley and Harry Sawyer in these cases. He stated that in these interviews he had furnished full information in his possession regarding the matter.

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questioned with regard to the specific matters referred to in the Bureau letter of reference, and it may be that much of the information reported herein has been previously covered in reports of the Agents noted above.

Davis advised that when he had gotten out of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at McAlester, Oklahoma, in the fall of 1932 that he had proceeded, in company with Doc Barker, from Oklahoma to Omaha, Nebraska, by plane; that Doc Barker and he had then gone on to St. Paul, Minnesota, on the train. He stated that at this time Doc Barker had told him that he, Barker, had never seen anything like St. Paul—that it was one of the best towns in the country to operate in, and that everything there could be fixed. He stated that Barker advised him at this time that if he should ever get arrested or in any kind of trouble in St. Paul he should immediately call for Tom Brown and Bill Crumbley, who, Barker stated, were detectives with the St. Paul Police Department, and that these individuals could get him out of trouble. He advised that Doc Barker told him at this time that Brown and Crumbley had just been responsible for getting Bill Weaver out of jail in St. Paul and that they appeared to have an unlimited amount of influence in connection with these matters.

Davis stated that this was the first time he had heard the name of Tom Brown or Bill Crumbley mentioned, but that on this occasion and on every subsequent occasion when he heard these names mentioned they had always been mentioned together—in other words, whenever Tom Brown's name was mentioned it was mentioned in connection with Bill Crumbley, and the men were referred to as "Brown and Crumbley."

Davis advised that Barker had also told him at this time that Harry Sawyer had a saloon on Wabasha Street in St. Paul, was a big bootlegger in St. Paul, and had a connection with the Police Department and local politicians in St. Paul whereby he could fix almost any kind of trouble that one might get into. He stated that Barker advised him that Sawyer would arrange things through the police whenever direct contact with the police failed.

Davis stated that Barker and he were in St. Paul for only one day upon their arrival on this occasion when Barker advised him that they, meaning Doc Barker and Freddy Barker, had a job for him, Davis, to perform and that Bill Weaver would drive him to Chicago, where he could embark upon this job. Davis advised that he then proceeded to Chicago with Bill Weaver and learned that the job which they desired him to undertake was to take Mother Kate Barker on a trip to Reno, Nevada, where they were to stay for several months.

Davis advised that he remained in Chicago for approximately

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two weeks on this occasion and then proceeded to Reno, Nevada, in company with Mother Kate Barker, and that in Reno they resided at the Ridgeway Apartments. He stated that subsequently Doc and Fred Barker and Alvin Karpis came to Reno and remained in Reno and vicinity up until approximately March of 1933. Davis stated that he then returned to St. Paul in company with Doc Barker in a Buick car, which Barker had purchased in Nevada, and that he then took up residence in St. Paul at an apartment located at the corner of Cleveland and Marshall Avenues. He stated that Fred and Doc Barker were also residing in this apartment building and that he, Davis, took an apartment in the building with Jess Doyle, who was in St. Paul at this time.

Davis advised that it was on the occasion of this visit to St. Paul that he first met Harry Sawyer and his wife, Gladys Sawyer, at their saloon in the 500 block on Wabasha Street in St. Paul.

Davis stated that a few days after he had come to St. Paul on this occasion he was coming home to the apartment about 7:00 or 8:00 o'clock one evening when he was met by Jess Doyle on the corner adjacent to the apartment building and that Doyle had told him that Gladys Sawyer was inside the apartment building at that time packing Fred Barker's and Doc Barker's things, inasmuch as she had obtained information that the police were going to raid the apartment that evening and it was necessary that they immediately get out of the apartment if they did not desire to be arrested. He stated that at that time he observed Gladys Sawyer taking some of Fred and Doc Barker's things to a car and that he saw one Pat Reilly, whom he had met as a bartender in Sawyer's saloon, assisting Gladys Sawyer in removing these clothes of the Barker brothers. He advised that Jess Doyle told him that they had no time to lose and would have to leave, and that Doyle would not allow him, Davis, to return to the apartment to get any of the clothes; that Doyle would not even go into the apartment to remove a wardrobe trunk which he, Doyle, had in the apartment.

Davis advised that the St. Paul Police later raided this apartment building and confiscated the property of Doyle's which had been left behind, and that he later learned that Harry Sawyer had secured the return of this property from the St. Paul Police through his connections with them, and that Doyle had subsequently gotten his property from Harry Sawyer.

See Doyle on this

Davis stated that after leaving St. Paul on this occasion he had proceeded to Louis Cernocky's place at Fox River Grove, Illinois. He stated that thereafter he spent some time in Kansas City, Missouri, where he picked up Edna Murray, and subsequently proceeded to Grays Lake, Illinois, where he stayed for some time prior to returning to St. Paul and Minneapolis. He advised that this was in the summer of 1933 and

that on this occasion he and Edna stayed at the Upland Apartments in Minneapolis, Minnesota. He stated that it was on the occasion of this stop in St. Paul and Minneapolis that Doc Barker took him for the first time to a farm which was owned by Harry Sawyer outside of St. Paul. He stated that they went to Harry Sawyer's farm at this time inasmuch as Doc Barker desired to see a horse which Doc Barker had arranged be shipped to Harry Sawyer. Davis advised that this was the only visit which he had ever made to the farm of Harry Sawyer except for one other visit made several months later, as hereinafter noted.

Davis advised that in the fall of 1933 he and Edna Murray had proceeded to Reno, Nevada, inasmuch as Doc Barker, Fred Barker, Karpis and Harry Campbell were already there. He stated that he did not know where the boys were stopping when he first arrived in Reno, and for this reason he went to the Anderson Hotel, which he stated the boys, meaning Freddy and Doc, had told him was a "right" place, and he understood that same was operated by Billy Graham and James McKay of Reno. He stated that he went to the Anderson Hotel with a view of learning where he might locate Doc Barker, but, however, that he met Barker on the street at once and learned as to the apartments where Doc and Fred Barker and Karpis were staying. He stated that he and Edna then took an apartment at the Ridgeway Apartments, where he had previously resided with Mother Kate Barker. He stated that during this visit in Reno, Nevada, they went hunting on several occasions, and that Alvin Karpis proceeded to Vallejo, California, where he had his tonsils taken out at the Vallejo General Hospital, which was operated by Tobe Williams.

Davis advised that in the late fall of 1933, he thought in December 1933, they had all decided to return to St. Paul. He stated that Karpis, Campbell, Doc and Fred Barker had preceded himself and Edna to St. Paul. He stated that Edna and himself on their arrival in St. Paul went immediately to the farm of Harry Sawyer in order that he might find out where he could get in contact with Doc and Freddy Barker and Karpis. He stated that on this occasion Sawyer's wife was at the farm and that he observed Sawyer on the porch of the farm house when they arrived. He stated that he learned from Harry Sawyer that the boys could be located at an apartment at 569 Portland Avenue in St. Paul, and that then he, Davis, went on in to St. Paul. He stated that Edna and himself first stopped at the Montrose Apartments in St. Paul, and that after about two weeks they moved to the Oacola Apartments, where they remained for approximately five weeks, or until a day or two after the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer.

It will be recalled from the Bureau letter of reference that Edna Murray has stated that Harry Sawyer sent Pat Reilly to notify Volney Davis and herself that he, Sawyer, desired to see them at his farm on the day following the kidnaping of Bremer, and that she and Volney Davis had immediately gone out to Harry Sawyer's farm; that

Harry Sawyer had been on the front porch waiting for them and that Davis had gone up and conversed for a time with Sawyer, after which time Davis had returned to the car in company with Sawyer.

Although closely and vigorously questioned on this point, Volney Davis advised positively and emphatically that he did not go out to the farm of Harry Sawyer at any time following the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer, and that in fact the only two occasions when he had been to the farm of Harry Sawyer were the two occasions mentioned by him above. Davis, however, advised that he recalled that on the morning of the day following the kidnaping of Edward George Bremer that George Goetz and Fred Barker had come to the apartment occupied by Edna Murray and himself in St. Paul and had told him that it would be necessary for him to leave at once. He stated that they advised him that they had Bremer and that the town would be full of "G-Men." He stated that at this time Goetz advised him, Davis, that he would like to use his, Davis's, car in connection with this matter, to which he, Davis, acquiesced. He stated that Goetz then advised that he would take Edna Murray to Chicago with him and make arrangements for her to stop there temporarily until he, Davis, could return to Chicago. Davis advised that two or three days after this he proceeded to Berwyn, Illinois, to an apartment in the 6400 block on 22nd Street, which place had been secured by Goetz, to be used during the period when Bremer was being held.

Davis advised that while at this apartment in Berwyn, Illinois, Goetz made frequent trips between St. Paul and the apartment in Berwyn, inasmuch as Goetz was conducting the negotiations for the pay-off of the ransom in this case. He stated that at this time Fred Barker, Willie Harrison and Monty Carter were assisting Goetz. Davis stated that in the early negotiations for the paying of the ransom, immediately after the kidnaping, he heard George Goetz say that they had almost gotten into a trap in connection with their arrangements to collect the ransom. He stated that Goetz advised that this had occurred when an endeavor had been made to pay off with a dummy package, which was of course being watched, but that their "police contact" had warned them at the last minute and they had not fallen into this trap. He stated that in this connection Goetz had mentioned no names as to who the police contact may be, but that he, Davis, supposed, without question, that the police contact was Tom Brown, or that the information had been furnished by Harry Sawyer who had received it through Tom Brown.

Davis advised that on another occasion, during the pendency of the negotiations for the payment of the ransom demanded, Goetz felt that the Bremer family were not sincere in their efforts to pay the ransom, inasmuch as they did not follow specific instructions which had been given them, and that Goetz expressed himself as being in favor of either returning Bremer or killing Bremer and ceasing the whole deal, but that Goetz had decided to try and get further information before giving the matter up entirely; and that Goetz had stated that he then learned that he had been wrong in his assumption and that the family had actually not been able to

pay the ransom in accordance with the instructions given them because of a time-lock on the bank safe where the ransom money was being kept.

Davis advised that it was his belief that this information had likewise been furnished through the same source as the other information noted above with regard to the dummy package, but that no names were mentioned at this time by Goetz or any of the other boys as to the source of this information.

Davis stated that he did not positively know the name of the police contact in St. Paul in this case until several months after the kidnaping when he contacted Elmer Farmer at Bensonville, Illinois, at which time Elmer Farmer had advised him, Davis, that he had some additional money coming in connection with his services in this case. He stated that he asked Farmer the reason for this and that Farmer had advised him that \$20,000 of the Bremer ransom money was to be paid to Tom Brown of the St. Paul Police Department, inasmuch as he had furnished the gang information in order that safe contacts could be made in handling the ransom notes and obtaining the ransom money. He stated that Farmer advised that none of the ransom money was paid to Tom Brown, however, because it had been felt that Brown was responsible for the death of Homer Van Meter.

With regard to the participation of Harry Sawyer in the Bremer case, Volney Davis advised that the gang did not desire to pull another kidnaping job in St. Paul, but that he had believed, from general statements from time to time by Goetz and Fred and Doc Barker, that Harry Sawyer was the "finger man" in this case and had convinced them that he had everything arranged so perfectly that there was no chance of failure in connection with kidnaping Edward Bremer.

Volney Davis likewise stated that from conversations of Doc and Fred Barker he understood that Tom Brown had been the "finger man" in the Hamm kidnaping in St. Paul, but that he, Davis, had no information as to any remuneration received by Brown in connection with that case nor further information with regard to his, Brown's, alleged participation in that case.

Davis stated positively that he had no recollection of any occasion when Harry Sawyer had warned Edna Murray and himself to evacuate their apartment in St. Paul in view of an anticipated police raid--other than the one occasion related above when Gladys Sawyer had come to the apartment in company with Pat Reilly.

Davis stated that he had previously related to Agents, in connection with interviews conducted regarding these matters, that he of course could furnish different information than that noted above regarding the connection of Tom Brown and Bill Crumbley with the activities

of the gang, but that any such information furnished would simply be untrue and would amount to "framing" these individuals, as he did not have personal knowledge of and could not personally testify to their connection with either the Hamm or Bremer kidnaping cases other than as noted above.

From a comparison of the information contained in the Bureau letter of reference furnished by Edna Murray with that furnished herein by Volney Davis, it would appear that Murray is mistaken with reference to the contacts noted by her or that Davis is withholding the true facts. However, Davis stated that he had no reason to furnish false information and that what he has stated, as noted above, is true to the best of his recollection.

It was noted in the report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, Missouri, October 24, 1935, that Volney Davis had stated that he would endeavor to secure information of value from Doc Barker in connection with this case. At the time of this interview with Davis by Special Agent W. R. Ramsey, Davis advised that he had not yet had an opportunity to get any information from Barker.

Davis appeared desirous of continuing to cooperate with the Bureau in furnishing any information in his possession or that he might receive in connection with these matters.

Very truly yours,

Jay C. Newman

Jay C. Newman
Special Agent in Charge

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November 27, 1935.

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
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Chicago, Illinois.

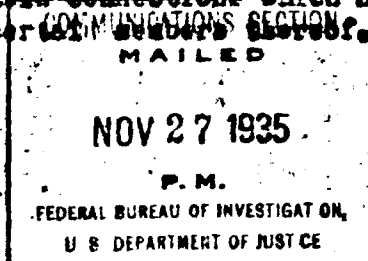
RE: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218, et al; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER - Victim: Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of November 19, 1935 in-
structing Special Agent E. P. Sullivan to proceed to Lincoln, Nebraska
for the purpose of conducting a thorough interrogation of Jess Doyle.

In this connection it is desired to call to your attention the
letter of the San Francisco office dated November 15, 1935 reflecting an
interview with Volney Davis. On Page 3 of this letter it is stated Davis
made reference to the occasion on which Gladys Sawyer tipped off the
gang during the early spring of 1933 to an anticipated police raid; that
Jess Doyle was present at this time; that the police later made the raid,
confiscating much of the property which was left in the apartment by the
gang; that Harry Sawyer later secured the return of this property from
the St. Paul police through his connection with them and that Doyle
subsequently obtained his property from Harry Sawyer.

It is desired that Doyle be interviewed very thoroughly along
this line to corroborate the statements of Volney Davis. It is believed
that by citing certain illustrations to Jess Doyle his memory will be
refreshed to such an extent that he may be able to furnish further de-
tails with regard to the corruption of the St. Paul police department and
certain connections which Harry Sawyer had with the said police department
or certain members thereof.



Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Cincinnati
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POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

November 14, 1935.

Director,
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Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St.N.W.,
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Mr. Lester	
Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Schilder	
Mr. Tamm	
Mr. Tracy	
Miss Gandy	

Dear Sir:

It is believed that letter of November 12, 1935 to the Bureau from Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley in the above entitled matter should be called to your attention.

In my opinion this letter indicates a defensive and critical attitude as toward certain instructions as to what is necessary to the investigation, as being a criticism which latter was not intended. My teletype was only an effort to have this matter intelligently and thoroughly covered, with the idea of causing the apprehension of the fugitives referred to, rather than just a matter of indicating that all things had been covered. The letter also in my opinion indicates a petulant or irrepressible frame of mind as to a supposed criticism, or a condition which he believed to be a criticism, and possibly one that he believed warranted, in view of the rather lengthy explanation of the supposed issues involved.

It is noted that he takes particular exception to my remark that we did not know of Campbell visiting his mother on two occasions, and explains that this deduction is apparently an error, inasmuch as they did know that we apparently had missed him at his mother's home by reason of the fact that in September they were placed on notice through the alleged actions of one Milton Letts, that Campbell had apparently been taken to the home of his mother by this boy. The issue concerned here is not one as to whether or not we knew we had missed him, but rather what was the setup we had arranged to know if he was there and apprehend him, and why this setup failed.

Realizing that it is rather easy to be critical, and sometimes difficult under certain conditions to be constructive in

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our suggestions, I have avoided the former. However it is not believed that a very definite setup was arranged if it was possible for Mrs. Wilson to leave Arondale and move to Hominy, Oklahoma without us being advised of this. With reference to the statement that it was impossible to maintain a surveillance of the ~~sisters of Wynona Burdett~~ and their homes, a surveillance does not necessarily mean an actual visual observation where this would be impracticable, but a setup whereby someone would be immediately and readily available to informants who should be encouraged frequently to maintain their observations. This of course might take the time of a man for a considerable period, but it is believed that the effort would be more productive and less expensive than an inquiry from time to time, which might consume a period of many months, and not actually result in knowing if and when the subject appeared at a certain place.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 812
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November 16, 1935

Director
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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 et al.
Edward George Bremer, Victim
KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF
FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the trial of MATTHEW GLEASON, charged with harboring Volney Davis at Aurora, Illinois February 6 and 7, 1935, and which is set for possible trial the first week of December, 1935, yesterday Special Agent A. A. Muzzey conferred with G. A. Barnhart, Aurora, Illinois who will be the principal witness for the Government in this case, and he of course is anxious to have this case disposed of without him appearing as a witness, due to the nature of his business at Aurora, he being engaged in the sale of racing system, which presumably provides for winning and betting on horse races, particularly in view of the supposed close association of Gleason with the interests at Aurora, who might make it difficult for Barnhart.

Also in this connection it is my opinion that possibly if this case could be disposed of by a plea of guilty on the part of Gleason, and he thereafter sentenced in accordance with whatever suggestion the United States Attorney might make which is acceptable to the court, it would save the Government considerable expense as to witnesses who will be necessary by reason of certain allegations as to the supposed treatment of Gleason at the time of his arrest, which I contemplate they are going to endeavor to go into very thoroughly. Barnhart has indicated his intention of approaching Gleason in order to influence him if possible, to try to have his case disposed of by going to the Assistant United States Attorney handling the case, or having his lawyer go to him and try to have same disposed of by a plea of guilty, providing they could be given some assurance of a reasonable sentence.

I will follow this closely in order to determine whether or not the matter can be disposed of in this manner, as it is believed that the ends of justice will be adequately served if it is disposed of in this manner, without making a trial of same necessary. It will also be necessary

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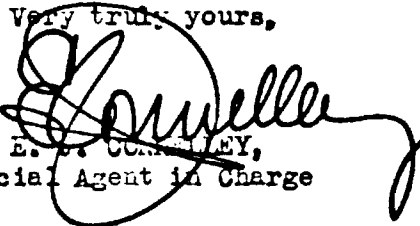
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if a trial is had to bring Special Agent W. C. Ryan from Portland here to testify as to the statement made by Gleason, as well as Special Agent C. G. Campbell of the Butte office, who witnessed the statement of Gleason obtained by Special Agent Ryan, the latter being particularly desirable in order to definitely show that this statement was obtained voluntarily, in view of the possible allegations Gleason will probably make as to his supposed treatment at that time.

Very truly yours,


E. C. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
November 20, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below, copies of letters written to Wynona Burdette, an inmate of the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, one each from her sister, Essie, and her niece, Gwen, and the others from Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Burdette.

Very truly yours,

W. J. West
W. J. West
Special Agent in Charge

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Arundale Okla

Nov 11, 1935

Hello, Sweet-pea.

at last I'll Write you a few lines, guess you thin I got killed on the Way back, hardly that. But if you ask me that's a tire-some ole trip When one is alone and Blue too. I got in Tulsa at 4 P. M. Monday. as tired as I was the girls Just had to hear all about you, and my trip.

But I didnt show them your things untill Tues. Honey, I got here O. K. With your Jewelry, thought you'd Want to know, Huh? I have it in safe-----keeping, I think, does that make you feel better, I was afraid you Would Worry about your things.

I have had plenty of Company since I came back. Melba and Wayne spent the Week-end. Georgia and Clay has been here, besides the Comers and goars.

Eunice and Chuck are supposed to come up this Week, Chuck has some painting to do in Hominy. & Eunice said she Would come out here. I havent seen Mildred since I Came back, think I'll go down one day this Week & stay all day, and take her dress Home. I imagine she needs it dont you? Today is armistice-day and no School.

Gwen is here and is going to Write something I for-got to tell you, and I'll let Gwen do that. as she said, Mother let me tell aunt Nonie that. gee, I'll bet that is a pretty song you sent Gwen, Wish We had the music to it. guess I'd better ring off Kid, I should Write to the gang at the Hotel up there, they Were so nice to me.

I will try and Write you a nice fat letter next month.

Lots of Love from your ole Sis Essie

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Monday Morning
at Home.

Dearest Aunty;

Hello and how are you? Im feeling Okey dokey; Since Armistice day is on Monday we got out of school today. Thats the first time we've been out on Mon. In ages.

School is "shoot in" along okay. I got in the pep squad and I get to go to the football banquet. Im surely thrilled! Thats quite an honor you know.

Oh Yes! I have a new piano boy Its really cute. Im just dying to play It. will start taking soon. Im undecided tho- I don't know wheather to take strictly classical or popular. What would you do?

Im taking Ball-room dancing lessons. I haven't taken very many but Im trying to learn. (try Is all I can do)

We are working on an Operetta in Glee Club now. The name is - "The Pirates daughter" - Im going to try out for her (the daughter) but dont know If Ill Get It or not.

Tomorrow nite Im in an old fashioned parade I'd give anything If you could see It. I come Out singing a solo and parading. I'll be dressed in an old fashioned skirt & blouse with a lace shawl, pantaloons hanging from under my skirt, and an old bonnet with a big bow under my chin. It is surely cute.

Well I must close an wash dishes honey -
Write soon -

Always true

Your niece

"Gwen"

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November 3, 1935.
Lewistown, Pa.

Dear Sister:

Just a few lines this evening in answer to your most loving letter of a few weeks ago and I am truly ashamed for not answering sooner, please forgive us this time, but you see we have been having a little trouble. I was in the hospital but came home two weeks ago. [REDACTED] must go back and be operated on later but at present feel as good as can be expected. b7c

Art and went to housekeeping a week ago "Sat" have a apartment but it's cozy and home, for the first time since we've been married we can say we are in our own home, make one feel rather proud and maybe we are'nt, Mama say we are like two kids with a new toy and I guess we are, planning nice dinners for Art keeping the house clean and cheerful makes one feel like a different person, he is working now on the road but playing at night also composing a song, so you see dear things are looking rosy and this time it is going to continue.

I may not mail this till the end of the week so don't compare dates as we are going to have our picture taken to send you, but I have changed a lot since you seen me my hair is still Blonde but it's quite long I'm putting it up now with a Braid around my head, Art likes it much better than short, I believe you will to as it really does become me.

Gee! Honey you should see us we very seldom go any place since Arts working except we he plays and about two or three nights a week and sunday we stay home and read or work on his song(thats what he's doing now) he said tell you he's working like the dickens(Ha) every three minutes he stops me and wants to know if it sounds alright, but we go to shows about once a week and he belongs to a Fire company here some times we go up there sunday evening thats what we done this past sunday and played cards, so you see we are happy and content just the two of us.

Well Darling you are no-doubt bored stiff with all of this and now I'm going to make Art write a few lines, hoping to hear from you real soon.

Your Ever Loving
Sis & Bro
Helen & Art

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Dear Sister-

here are the pictures, But Boy I look like Moses and
art as Ezra they were all terrible and these are the best but
these are not like we really look.

We'll have some taken of he and I together at a Studio
like I sent Eunice and the rest so please don't be to disappointed
please.

Answer soon, love.

Helen & Art.

Lewistown, pa

Dear Sis

I wrote to or three days ago and now I cant find the letter. I must have got it mixed with some music scrip I tore up. thats all im doing writing music. For pastime maby some day I'll hit a good one. helen seems to like most all of them I am fooling with. As soon as I get a check or 2 Im going to have one of them Printed and I'll send you a copy of the one "underneath the silvery moon" its the only one I have completed and can say its a tune Wish I had about 50 Bucks Id Be warth a thousand in 6 months- "I'll Betsue" ha thats right though I sure have faith in that tune- I'll write the words off for you maby you can fake a tune to it. Yearning under neath the silvery moon---dreaming of those wonderful nights in June---when I see the lovers spoon under neath the silvery moon---it Brings memories of you---when we sit in the moon light Planing our Wedding day---I never dreamed life would ever turn out this way---life was so cheerful I could never sigh--- until you Kissed me and whispered good By-----You left me Yearning---you left me waiting---under neath the silvery moon-----

hows about it?

I think its fair my self- helen thinks the tune is still sweeter than the words- well any way Im going to spend some good hard money on it--he

Well dont forget to Write hane not heard from any one lately except you I dont no what the-they can Be doing--By By

Your Laving Bro & sis

Art & Helen

11 1/2 Valley st

have a good laugh
at those Pictures ha

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
November 20, 1935

Mr. John J. Ryan
Superintendent
U. S. Detention Home
Milan, Michigan

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa - FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There are transmitted herewith copies of letters written to Wynona Burdette, an inmate of the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan, one from her sister Essie and her niece Gwan and the others from Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Burdette.

The contents of these letters have been carefully scrutinized and appear to contain no information of value.

Thanking you for your interest and cooperation in this matter,
I am

Very truly yours,

W. J. West
Special Agent in Charge

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Mr. Rosen
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Mr. Carson
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Jones
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

Re: Alvin Karpis with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. #1416;
et al; Edward George Bremer - Victim; Kidnaping.

On November 12, 1935 Agent proceeded to Tulsa, Oklahoma in his personally owned automobile bearing 1935 California license, on instruction of Special Agent in Charge Dwight Brantley, for the purpose of obtaining a location from which the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Campbell, 818 South Rockford Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, could be placed under surveillance. Special Agent Paul W. Hansen of the Oklahoma City Office previously advised that the house at 820 South Rockford Street possibly would be vacant.

Agent drove to 820 South Rockford Street and there inspected the premises from the outside. There was a "For Rent" sign tacked on the house, which indicated that the key was located at the next house north, which is the Campbell residence. Agent called at the Campbell house and requested to be shown through the vacant house. An elderly man, presumably Mr. Campbell, escorted Agent to the vacant house and explained the various rooms and furnishings. Thereafter, Mr. Campbell stated that Mrs. Woolsey was renting the premises and that he had her address in his house. Agent accompanied Mr. Campbell to his house and was admitted to the front room while Mr. Campbell made a search through his papers in an effort to locate the address of Mrs. Woolsey.

Agent noted that the Campbell residence probably consists of four rooms, a sitting room and a dining room, which has been converted into a bedroom, on the north side of the house, and evidently a bedroom and kitchen on the south side of the house. Mr. Campbell located the address of Mrs. Woolsey as 815 West 9th Street, Tulsa, Oklahoma, telephone No. 3-4727. Agent requested the use of the Campbell telephone to call Mrs. Woolsey for an appointment and was advised by Mr. Campbell that there was no telephone in his house.

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During the above interview Agent introduced himself to Mr. Campbell, using his proper name, and stating that he had recently arrived in Oklahoma from California and was looking for a place to live. For employment in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Agent further advised Mr. Campbell that his wife and brother-in-law would probably live with him at the residence, if rented.

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Agent then contacted Mrs. E. I. Woolsey, 615 West 9th Street, and after the usual preliminaries rented the premises at 820 South Rockford Street, rent to start on November 18, 1935. Agent informed Mrs. Woolsey that he had just arrived in Oklahoma from the vicinity of Los Angeles, California, where he was employed as an insurance salesman, handling accident, health and life insurance, but that he had a disagreement with his company over some commissions and, therefore, was looking for a new location. Further, that he presently was in Oklahoma City, having been there for a few weeks looking for a location, but was not satisfied with Oklahoma City and therefore decided to try to locate in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Agent further informed Mrs. Woolsey that Agent's wife, who was presently suffering with a cold and unable to make the trip to Tulsa, and his brother-in-law, who was out of work, would also live in the house with Agent.

Agent casually inquired of Mrs. Woolsey concerning the neighborhood in which the house was located and was advised by Mrs. Woolsey that there is an elderly couple to the north of the house, who are very fine people and who have two daughters living with them; that these daughters are working some place in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

During the inspection of the premises at 820 South Rockford Street, the following was noted: That the house consists of four rooms, the living room being on the right of the front door, which would be in the northeast portion of the house. Directly behind the living room is a bedroom, which is located in the northwest portion of the house. The south side of the house consists of a bedroom in the front, then a bathroom and then the kitchen. Agent noted that the Campbell house could be viewed from the northwest bedroom, which has a large window on the north and a large window on the west. From the west window the rear yard of the Campbell house can be clearly seen, but the back door of the Campbell house can not be seen for the reason that the Campbell house extends farther back on the lot than the house located at 820 South Rockford. The kitchen and bedroom which are on the south of the Campbell house can be clearly seen from the north window of this vacant house.

Agent further observed that the back yard of the Campbell residence runs very deep, probably about 40 feet; further, that the block in which these houses are located is well built up and that the houses are probably about 15 to 20 feet apart. It was further noted that there is no street car line or bus line that runs on Rockford Street in front of the premises, but that the main thoroughfare is about a block and a half south. Agent also noted that there were no other residences which were unrented on the east side of the street, but that about half a block to the north Agent noticed that there was a furnished duplex for rent.

C. J. EDDERS,
Special Agent.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice
722 Midland Savings Bldg.
Denver, Colo.
November 20, 1935

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N.W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: RE: BREKID

With reference to Bureau letter of November 8, 1935, (7-576) and my letter of November 13, 1935, with reference to securing information concerning John Henry Foster alias William Elmer Meade and other aliases, please be advised that Warden Roy Best of the Colorado State Penitentiary, Canon City, Colorado, has advised that the records of the Penitentiary show that William Elmer Meade was received at that institution as John H. Foster alias William E. Meade alias Christ Kid, etc., as their number 12127, on June 3, 1923, and was released at the completion of his minimum sentence September 15, 1925, on automatic parole, being finally and completely discharged June 4, 1929.

An Agent is contacting the Warden for the purpose of examining any and all records in connection with Meade's incarceration and to obtain all available data with regard to the family history, contacts, relatives, and correspondents of William Elmer Meade while incarcerated in the Colorado State Penitentiary.

Very truly yours,

E. P. Guinane
E. P. GUINANE
Special Agent in Charge

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cc SAC Connelley,
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Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
November 20, 1935

Mr. L. L. Chaplin
Postmaster
Mankato, Minnesota

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

In compliance with your request,
I am enclosing thirty self-addressed
your convenience in forwarding tracings to this
office.

Permit me to express my apprec-
iation for the hearty cooperation you have shown
this office at all times.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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U. S. Department of Justice
Post Office Box 2118
Detroit, Michigan
November 14, 1935

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Director
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Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street N. W.
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases - FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218, et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM
Kidnaping

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7-576-8125

Your attention is respectfully invited to your personal and confidential letter addressed to Mr. H. E. Andersen, Special Agent in Charge of the St. Paul office of the Bureau, dated October 31, 1935, Bureau file #7-576, relating to the above entitled case. Attention in particular is invited to that part of the communication directing the obtaining of information by the Oklahoma City Office from one Pat Reilly concerning Tom Brown, Bill Crumbley and Harry Sawyer's involvement in the Bremer case.

It is noted from the report of Special Agent Paul Hanson, Oklahoma City Office, dated November 8, 1935, that Reilly refused to disclose the desired information.

Special Agent W. B. Matney of this office, who made the inquiry of Wynona Burdette at Milan, Michigan, as directed in your letter of the 31st ultimo, copy of which was received at this office, advises that in February last he had an interview with one Tommie Gannon, then incarcerated in the County Jail at St. Paul, Minnesota, and that Gannon at that time appeared to be somewhat friendly. Mr. Matney advises that Gannon is about 26 years of age, and was employed together with Reilly as a bartender for Harry Sawyer, from which Mr. Matney believed that it is likely that Gannon may have the information that was sought from Reilly. In view of this it is desired to suggest for your consideration that an interview along the same lines be had with Gannon if the same has not already been had.

Very truly yours,

W. J. West
Special Agent in Charge

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cc St. Paul
Chicago
Cincinnati

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It should be
Done - Evt 11/16/35

November 20, 1935.

Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

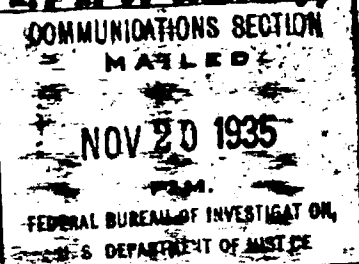
Reference is made to the Bureau's communications re-
questing the St. Paul Office and other offices to immediately
obtain all available information concerning the participation
of Tom Brown, Harry Sawyer and Bill Crumbly in the Bremer
kidnaping.

Reference is now made to the letter of the Detroit
Office dated November 11, 1935, in which it is suggested that
Pearle Cannon, who was formerly a bartender for Harry Sawyer,
may have some information as to the participation of Sawyer
and others in the instant matter. It is desired that you make
immediate arrangements to have Cannon interviewed thoroughly
along these lines and submit a report to the Bureau covering
this interview not later than November 30, 1935.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Cincinnati
Mrs. E. J. Connelley, Chicago



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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 19, 1935.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR,
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

Replying to your memorandum of the 14th instant making inquiry as to the status of the case against the defendant Nathaniel E. Heller indicted at Jacksonville, Florida, in connection with the cases involving the harboring of Karpis, I beg to advise you that it has been determined to proceed to trial with the case against this defendant.

Respectfully,

Joseph B. Keenan
JOSEPH B. KEENAN,
Assistant Attorney General.

Edward G. Brennan

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Special Agent in Charge,
Aberdeen, South Dakota.

7-576-8127

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE;
I. O. #1218, et al; Edward George Bremer, Victim; Kidnaping. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

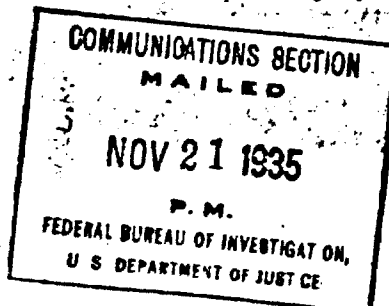
Dear Sir:

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent in Charge Werner Hanni, dated at Aberdeen, South Dakota, on November 9, 1935, in which it is shown that considerable information was obtained as to the possibility of Dr. Joseph P. Moran being identical with Dr. Robert Carville Ormiston.

The Bureau finds it necessary to call to your attention the importance of conducting a thorough and vigorous investigation in matters of this kind, especially since the Bureau has received numerous allegations of the death of Dr. Moran, and considerable difficulty will undoubtedly be experienced in locating and identifying his body if he is, in fact, dead as it has been alleged. Realizing that the Bureau cannot be guided conclusively by the various reports which are received from the underworld with regard to the death of Moran, you should have taken immediate action to exhaust all possible leads which would establish the identity of Dr. Ormiston.

It is noted that no effort was made to locate and interview members of the gang of transient camp laborers who were supervised by Dr. Ormiston prior to his disappearance. It is felt that numerous members of this group should be located immediately and interviewed thoroughly. It is possible that Dr. Ormiston may have disclosed information to one of this group which would be of assistance in locating him at the present time. Photographs of Dr. Moran should be displayed



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to numerous persons of this group to determine more definitely whether Dr. Craiston is identical with Dr. Moran.

It is noted that Special Agent F. W. Allen satisfied himself with taking the word of Sheriff Marie instead of personally interviewing John Malen, of Malen's Pharmacy, at Langdon, North Dakota. It appears to the Bureau that Malen would be in a position to furnish a considerable amount of information to an Agent, and it should therefore be arranged to have him interviewed by an Agent of your office immediately.

The report discloses that Dr. Craiston was somewhat of a drunkard, which is in keeping with the habits of Dr. Moran, and that Craiston's favorite place of hangout was a "joint" known as "The Cave" in Langdon, North Dakota. The report further reflects that Stub Walker, who is the owner of "The Cave" loaned money to Craiston on numerous occasions. The Bureau observes that no effort was made to conduct any inquiry at "The Cave" or through Stub Walker.

It is further noted that no inquiry was made as to any mail which may have been received and letters which may have been sent by Dr. Craiston while he was attached to the transient camp at Langdon, North Dakota.

It is noted further that one Jack M. Schlegel signed a complaint against Craiston charging him with the theft of his suitcase and personal effects. Perhaps Schlegel would be in a position to furnish information of value. It is noted that he has not been interviewed.

In conducting further interviews along these lines, every effort should be made by the Aberdeen Office to secure further handwriting and hand-printed specimens of Dr. Craiston through his friends.

It is desired that this investigation be expedited and a report be submitted to the Bureau promptly covering this matter.

Very truly yours,

cc St. Paul
Cincinnati
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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November 21, 1935.

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Special Agent in Charge,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al;
Edward George Bremer, Victim;
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

Reports and letters received by the Bureau recently in the
above entitled matter have reference to Bill Crumley and James Crumley.
It is requested that the St. Paul Office immediately advise the Bureau
as to whether these two individuals are identical.

Very truly yours,

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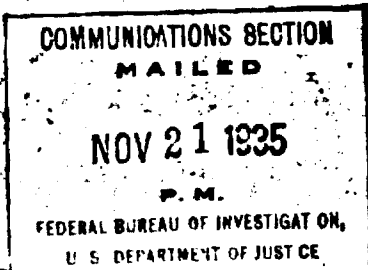
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John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Cincinnati
Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
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Washington, D. C.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter of November 8, 1935 requesting an expression of opinion on the feasibility of the plan under consideration to have the Treasury Department print a quantity of a particular type of distinctive money to be used as ransom in kidnaping cases.

As a principle I believe the Bureau should adopt the policy of not favoring the payment of ransom in any kidnaping case. If a ransom is paid it is not done with the approval of the Bureau, but condoned by it because of the family's solicitude for the victim. However, if the Bureau were to have this distinctive money printed to be used for ransom payments it would place the Bureau in the light of assisting to some extent in the payment of ransom. I realize that from a realistic point of view ransoms are paid in nearly all kidnaping cases.

Secondly, it appears that such money could be used only in one particular case, because its nature would have to be disseminated to banks and other appropriate agencies to detect the passer of the ransom money.

Third, absolute secrecy would have to be maintained regarding the marked nature of this money. It is not believed that the family of a victim would countenance any such payment due to fear for the victim's safety. They would probably believe that the knowledge

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of this kind of money might be in the possession of the underworld regardless of our statements to the contrary. In the event that the victim should not be released unharmed after the payment of ransom with that kind of money, it is very likely that the victim's family would condemn this Bureau, believing that the marked money was the cause.

It is to be recalled that there are twelve Federal Reserve Districts in the United States and that notes are issued by each of these banks. It would appear to be necessary to have a certain quantity of the notes issued by each bank on hand. If this money were to be silver certificates, the very nature of the ransom money being of that character would probably arouse the suspicions of the kidnapers.

It has been noted that in some cases in the past the kidnapers have demanded used money. Unless the Treasury Department could by some process give these notes a used appearance without there having been in circulation, this would be an added objection.

With the above objections in mind, the practical advantage of using a distinctive money for ransom payments would be outweighed by the objections cited above.

Very truly yours,

H. E. Andersen

H. E. ANDERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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cc Mr. E. J. Connelley, Chicago
cc Cincinnati

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OFFICE, ADVISED TODAY AN INFORMANT, WHOSE NAME HE WILL NOT REVEAL, ADVISED

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**Ransom money*

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TO SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE AT
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YOU IMMEDIATELY FOR USE SURVEILLANCE RESIDENCE PARENTS HARRY CAMPBELL
AT TULSA

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November 20, 1935

Mr. E. J. Connelley,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Post Office Box 812,
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

With reference to the cover placed in the
mail of Ada and Ruth Potts and Mrs. E. A. Head at Sarasota,
Florida, the enclosed tracing of a letter was received in
the Jacksonville office from the Sarasota Postmaster. It is
addressed to Mrs. Ada Potts, 143 N. 5 St., Sarasota, Florida;
is postmarked Yala, Oklahoma, November 18, 1935, 12 PM; with
return address of J. Benford, Maramec, Okla.

Very truly yours,

R. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

Enclosure
cc Bureau
St. Paul
Cincinnati
Jax #7-24

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Post Office Box 2118
Detroit - Michigan
November 21, 1935

Mr. John J. Ryan
Superintendent
U. S. Detention Home
Milan, Michigan

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, wa - FUGITIVE,
I.O. 1218; et al.
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping.

Dear Sir:

There are being transmitted herewith
two letters; one addressed to Dolores Delaney,
an inmate of your institution, from her mother,
and the other addressed to Mr. & Mrs. John Kar-
pavicz from Dolores Delaney.

The contents of these letters have
been carefully scrutinized by this office and
appear to contain no information of value.

Thanking you for your cooperation and
interest in this matter, I am

Very truly yours,

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W. J. West
Special Agent in Charge

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Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

November 21st, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID CASE RADIO

The second brief case radio which the Bureau forwarded to this Office has now been in use for about one month on a plant in connection with the Brekid case. In connection with the operation of this radio I am enclosing herewith photostatic copies of a diagram showing the location of the transmitter and receiver with respect to the various buildings and other obstructions which affect its operation.

Special Agent J. M. Jones of this Office, who is very familiar with radio and all of its principles, has submitted the following memorandum concerning the operation of this set on the plant where it is presently being used:

"From the experiences had with the portable radio transmitter, increased in a brief case, and its associated portable receiver now being used by the Bureau, the following results were noted and suggestions are being made for your information.

1. This receiver has been very noisy in its operation and picks up all electrical disturbances in the neighborhood in which it is being used.

2. The results obtained, using the portable receiver, do not equal, by far, the ordinary reception obtained by using a standard long and short wave commercial receiver of a type such as is commonly referred to as a 'Midget' set.

3. The use of a standard commercial 'Midget' set or a standard 'short wave' set offers the following benefits - Tubes and parts for these type sets can be purchased at any radio store; the sets could be repaired by any radio repair shop without the use to which the sets are being put becoming known; if it

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became necessary to have more than one receiver in operation, the additional set could be purchased at any radio store. In addition, the presence of a commercial set in a rooming house, apartment, or hotel room would not be as apt to cause unfavorable comment, as the one being used at present has caused.

It is suggested that the 'brief case' transmitter be used, in conjunction with these 'commercial' type receivers, where it is desired to interview an individual without his knowledge of the conversation being overheard by a third party, and where the receiver can be located in the very near proximity, but in the case of a surveillance being conducted, such as the one at present being carried on at the residence of Mr. Karpovics in the 'Brekid' case, a portable transmitter be designed, or purchased, to operate on 110 volts A.C. current. This will eliminate the need of batteries being used to operate the transmitter and also eliminate the disadvantages of a battery operated set, i.e., the need of having spare batteries available, failure of the batteries at a critical time, etc. This arrangement allows the effective range of the transmitter to be increased, as a power operated transmitter would have a much greater output.

These suggestions are submitted for several reasons: - The commercial receivers could be purchased, in comparison with the receiver now used, at a considerable savings to the Bureau (The cost of a 'Midget' receiver ranging in price from \$15.00 to \$30.00 and the cost of a good commercial short wave receiver of about \$15.00) - The reception, as noted, is of better tone and quality and more positive in actual field operation. Ease of purchasing replacement parts and the convenience of having the sets repaired at any radio repair shop.

With reference to the 110 volt A.C. portable transmitter, I believe a portable set, with an effective range considerably more than the portable transmitter now used, could be purchased, or designed, for a very moderate sum, in comparison with the cost of the present transmitter being used. This will also eliminate the purchasing of batteries."

In connection with the above observations, I desire to advise the Bureau that the operation of this brief case radio is the only thing that has permitted the surveillance being maintained in this particular case to be successful. Prior to the time this radio was received it was necessary to resort to the use of telephones and in placing calls on this telephone considerable time was lost, as a result of which the Agents stationed in the apartment designated as 2839 Richmond Street, were not able to leave that building and proceed to Francisco Street and take up the surveillance at 2848 Francisco Street in time to follow parties leaving that address. However, since the installation of this transmitting set the surveillance has to date been successful due to the brief period necessary to communicate from the point of observation at 2848 Francisco to the Agents stationed at 2839 Richmond Street.

The suggestions made by Agent Jones concerning the use of a commercial short wave receiver in place of the large receiver furnished with these brief case radios are observations only from this particular plant and further tests will be made at this Office with the use of short wave radio sets in an effort to furnish the Bureau the benefits of said observation.

This set, like the set in operation at 6511 Greenwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, is used only intermittently during the day for the purpose of broadcasting the results of the observations of the Agents covering the objective and in the event no observations of interest are received test calls are made hourly. The receiving set, however, is tuned twenty-four hours a day to the transmitter so that immediate communication may be had at any time. In view of this fact it has not as yet been possible to estimate the life of the batteries in the transmitter.

Very truly yours,

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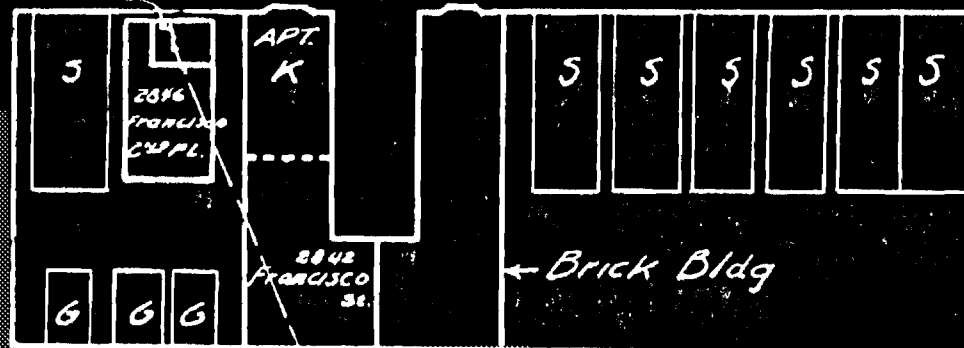
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Special Agent in Charge

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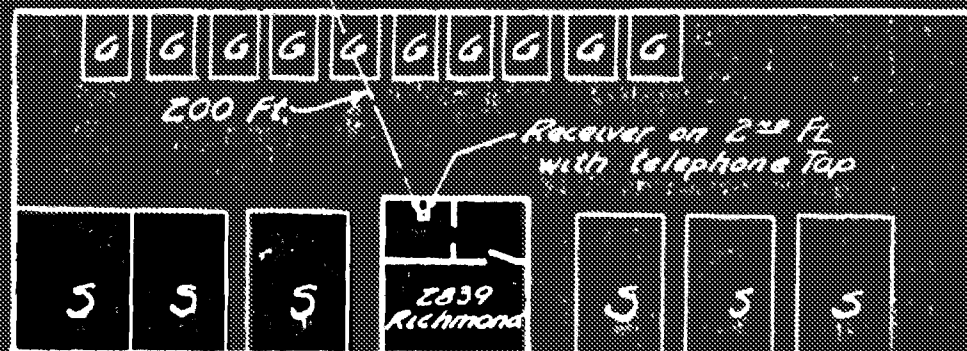
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December 9, 1935

Brown file

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the letter from your office dated November 21, 1935 concerning the operation of the brief case radio in connection with the case entitled, ALVIN KARPIS with aliases; FUGITIVE, I. O. #1218, et al.; EDWARD G. BREMER-Victim: KIDNAPING.

The suggestions made by Special Agent J. M. Jones of your office concerning the operation of the set as installed in this particular case, are appreciated and agreed generally with the observations of the performance of these sets made elsewhere.

The suggestion that a small 110 volt AC portable radio transmitter be built for use in set ups similar to the one used by your office in the above captioned case will be kept in mind for further consideration.

The receiver for the brief case radio is designed to be more sensitive than the average \$25.00 midget radio sold commercially and it is suggested that the tubes of the receiver be checked and any found defective be replaced.

It is requested that the Bureau be informed of the result of any other observations made on the performance of the brief case radio in actual cases or in tests conducted by your office.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

WJH

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 812

Chicago, Illinois

November 21st, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Ave. at 9th St., N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Re: BREKID

I am transmitting herewith one "Special Officer" badge which was found on the person of Volney Davis at the time of his apprehension in Kansas City, Missouri, as well as two clips for .32 caliber Automatic Colt Revolvers, which clips likewise were found in the possession of Volney Davis at the time of his apprehension at Kansas City, Missouri.

Very truly yours,

D. M. Ladd
D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

November 19, 1935.

KRM:MC

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Louis Alterie
Prosecution in State Courts

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of Special Agent L. M. Chipman, dated at Denver, Colorado, on November 8, 1935, regarding an investigation concerning Louis Alterie.

Alterie, as you will recall, was a contact for members of the Karpis-Barker gang in Chicago, Illinois. He was also an agent for one of the local unions in Chicago, which is considered a racket in that city.

The above mentioned report discloses an interesting commentary on state prosecutions. It is shown that Alterie was arrested by the Sheriff at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, in 1932 on the charge of shooting two men, and that Alterie pleaded guilty to the charge of assault with a deadly weapon and was sentenced to serve from four to five years in the Colorado State Penitentiary and was fined \$1,500. The Sheriff has informed he paid the \$1,500 fine and that the sentence was suspended providing that Alterie left the State of Colorado by January 1, 1933, and stayed out of the state for a period of five years.

You will also recall that Alterie was murdered in gangland fashion on the streets of Chicago during the summer of 1935.

I have examined the criminal record of Louis Alterie as disclosed by the Identification Division of the Bureau, which record does not show the above mentioned arrest and conviction in Colorado. Apparently at that time the Sheriff at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, was not submitting fingerprints to the Bureau.

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Respectfully,

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

November 20, 1935.

Time - 6:10 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

Mr. Brantley telephoned me from the Oklahoma City Office and said that he had just received a telephone call from Col. Charles W. Daley, who is head of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation and Identification at Oklahoma City. Col. Daley informed Mr. Brantley that just a few minutes ago, he received by special delivery an anonymous letter which reads in part as follows: "If you want to catch Karpis and Campbell, go to a certain house * * * (here the house was described), on Highway No. 33 after eleven o'clock tonight. Do not take any county officers from Rogers or Tulsa Counties. * * *. Highway No. 33 is above Tulsa, Oklahoma, and branches off of Highway No. 66, which is the national highway.

Mr. Brantley said that he planned to proceed to Tulsa personally, with appropriate men and equipment from the Oklahoma City Office, accompanied by some of the State men, and look the situation over after 11:00 o'clock, and if the situation looks favorable, to raid the place in the early hours of the morning. Mr. Brantley said that he has some good men in his office for this kind of work, and further, there are three or four men on the State squad who are very suitable for this kind of work.

Mr. Brantley said that he received a wire from Mr. Connelley last evening to the effect that he, Connelley, would arrive in Oklahoma City about 5:30 this afternoon, and he was just wondering if he should wait around until Mr. Connelley gets there. I told him that he should do this; that Mr. Connelley is very suitable for work of this kind, and would be a valuable asset in the event anything tangible develops. Mr. Brantley said that he has not had an opportunity as yet to go over this thing personally with Colonel Daley, but said that he believed he would wait until Mr. Connelley and Agent Paul Hansen get in, and then they would plan the situation with Colonel Daley. He said that Tulsa is only about three hours away by automobile.

Mr. Brantley said that in the absence of instructions to the contrary, they would plan on leaving Oklahoma City for the vicinity of Tulsa to cover this situation. He said that the Bureau would be unable to reach him by telephone or radio, but the Bureau would be kept advised of developments.

Respectfully,

E. A. TAMM
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Edw. G. Bremer to
Karpis & Campbell

Post Office Box 515
Saint Paul, Minnesota
November 21, 1935

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Mr. E. J. Connelley
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 812
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Enclosed herewith are two
mail-tracings on Dolis born, forwarded to this office
by the Postmaster at Lankato, Minnesota, on November
19, 1935. It appears that the only one of is
is that bearing the return address of William
whose address is somewhat indelible but is believed
to be 709 Brandon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Very truly yours,

H. E. ANKERSEN
Special Agent in Charge

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769 Sparks Building
Louisville, Kentucky

November 21, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Chicago, Illinois

Attention: Mr. E. J. Connelley

Re: REXID

Dear Sir:

With reference to my telephone conversation with Special Agent E. D. Brown of the Chicago Office on November 18, 1935, it was ascertained that the Government Narcotic Farm at Lexington, Kentucky does not permit visitors to go through the institution without letters of request, or a request made in person by reputable and responsible persons.

Dr. Lawrence Colb is the Superintendent of this Farm, and Mr. F. E. Junior is the Chief Guardian. The latter stated that they would be very glad to conduct [redacted] through the institution if he had a letter of introduction from this Department, or they would be very glad to conduct him through if he was introduced to the Superintendent by a member of this Department.

No information was given to the Superintendent or the Chief Guardian regarding [redacted]. The conducting of persons through this institution is based upon requests, as no visitors are allowed, and in the belief that the person requested to be shown through is considered an honest and respectable citizen.

Very truly yours,

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Cincinnati
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Post Office Box 812
Chicago Illinois

November 21, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent
E. J. Wynn, Indianapolis, Indiana, dated October 23, 1935,
relative to stop notices placed with the Bureau of Motor
Vehicles, Indianapolis, Indiana.

Relative to Chevrolet Sedan, motor #454365A,
serial #1DA07-49267, this car has been located as is set
out in the report of Special Agent V. E. Criss, San Francis-
co, California, dated May 22, 1935, a copy of which was as-
signed for the Indianapolis Office. The stop card can,
therefore, be removed.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT Cincinnati, Ohio.

Jax. FILE NO. 7-24

REPORT MADE AT Jacksonville, Florida.	DATE WHEN MADE Nov. 20, 1935.	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 11/19/35.	REPORT MADE BY R. B. Donaldson.
TITLE ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218; DR. JOSEPH P. MORAN, with aliases, I.O. #1232; HARRY CAMPBELL, with aliases, I.O. #1236; WILLIAM J. HARRISON, with aliases, I.O. #1239; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim.			CHARACTER OF CASE KIDNAPING; HARBORING OF FUGITIVES; OBSTRUCTION OF JUSTICE; NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p style="margin-left: 40px;">Further inquiry at Daytona Beach and Port Orange, Florida, indicates subject Weaver received three daily newspapers, one from Jacksonville and two from Daytona Beach, while living in Florida. Local merchant at Port Orange advised William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton both invariably presented \$5. bills for groceries purchased. E. L. Ringle, neighbor to Weaver, identifies photographs but supplies no further helpful information.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">P.</p>			
DETAILS: <p style="text-align: center;">AT DAYTONA BEACH, FLORIDA:</p> <p>In this City there are two daily papers published. They are the Daytona Beach Sun Record and the Daytona Beach News Journal. The first mentioned is a morning paper published every day except Monday mornings, and the other paper is published daily every afternoon and Sunday mornings.</p> <p>At the general office of the Daytona Beach Sun Record, Mrs. J. L. Beville, who is a clerk in the Circulation Department, states that according to their records William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton were subscribers to this paper. The subscription therefor was taken by a Mrs. Marian Turner, who resides at 131 Magnolia Avenue, this City, and there is still on file in this office a circulation card showing that the subscription was taken April 4, 1935, under the name of Mrs. Osborne.</p>			
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address, Texaco Station. The actual deliveries of this paper, according to Mrs. Beville, were made by Ralph Parker. Neither Mr. Parker nor Mrs. Turner were available at Daytona Beach for interview on this date. Mr. E. E. Naugle is editor and business manager of the Daytona Beach Sun Record.

At the office of the Daytona Beach News Journal Agent interviewed Milford Clifton and Ernest Kamiki. Clifton stated that some time in the early part of December, 1934, he talked to William Weaver, known to him as Mr. Osborne, about subscribing to the Daytona Beach News Journal. Weaver agreed to take the paper and deliveries probably began about December 20, 1934. Clifton inspected the photographs of William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton and at once identified the photograph of Weaver as being the man known to him as Mr. Osborne, and felt reasonably sure that the photograph of Myrtle Eaton was a likeness of the woman he believed to be Mrs. Osborne. Informant states that Weaver took him in the house several times, also showed him his chickens, and that payments were always made by Weaver. On one or two occasions he attempted to collect from Myrtle Eaton but she would invariably tell him to see Weaver, and, in fact, never seemed to talk any while informant was present.

Some time during the summer months, probably beginning about May 15, 1935, the actual deliveries of the paper were made by Ernest Kamiki, who also identified the photograph of Weaver as being a likeness of the man he had seen and known as Osborne. Kamiki was not positive of his identification of the photograph of Myrtle Eaton; and it also seems that she never said anything to him or had any dealings with him.

Clifton stated that invariably when he would deliver the paper early on Sunday mornings from December to the end of January he observed two cars parked behind Weaver's house with out-of-the-State license plates on them. He never made any notation of the numbers, but is inclined to think the cars were a Plymouth sedan and a Plymouth coupe. He states he never observed these two particular cars there any other time except Sunday mornings, indicating that they had come there for a Saturday night party probably; and that after the end of January, 1935, he did not see them again.

Both of these boys stated that they had never seen any strangers around Weaver's place, except on one occasion when Clifton saw a middle aged man, who was slim and wore a snap brim hat. The man was probably six feet tall, and was not seen at close range but merely observed across the yard. The volume of photographs of wanted criminals was displayed to both of these boys but they were unable to identify any pictures therefrom.

Inquiry was also made at the office of each of the aforementioned newspapers as to what stories they had carried as to William Weaver being wanted or his connection with the Bremer kidnaping in St. Paul. None of the persons spoken to could answer this question, but stated that if approximate dates when the stories might have been carried could be supplied they would look through the appropriate copies of papers on file and supply the Jacksonville Office with a copy of the paper or clippings therefrom. This angle is being given further attention and the results thereof will be reported.

The Florida Times Union, of Jacksonville, Florida, has a branch office at Daytona Beach, and deliveries of this paper were made to Weaver's home daily by one Adrian Dagley, who resides at Port Orange, Florida. Agent went to his home to interview him but found that he had left the village for the day, in connection with some other work. He is not at the present time connected with the Florida Times Union. His mother, however, stated that since the apprehension of William Weaver they had discussed the matter and Adrian recalled him quite well as having been one of his customers.

Mr. A. T. Smith conducts a grocery store on the main corner in Port Orange, known as the Florida Food Store. Photographs of Weaver and Eaton were shown to him, both of which he readily identified, stating that they had made frequent purchases at his store for cash while they resided below Port Orange, and that when he first began to see these people Weaver was wearing large dark glasses. These photographs were also identified by Mr. Clark McDonald, who was a clerk in this store. Both Mr. Smith and Mr. McDonald stated that on making purchases of groceries and meats, no matter how small the amount, these persons would invariably present a \$5.00 bill, and on only a few occasions did they present any small change for the exact amount of the purchase. Informants did not make any notation of the numbers of these bills or become sufficiently suspicious to make inquiries regarding these customers. They had remarked to each other, however, concerning the unusual practice of receiving a \$5.00 bill from these people every time they made a purchase.

E. L. Ringle, who receives his mail at Port Orange, Florida, resides about one block due east of the house in which William Weaver was apprehended, stated that he possesses little or no information about William Weaver or Myrtle Eaton. He immediately identified photographs of them, however, as being occupants of the house in question, and stated that when he came to Florida last winter they had moved in the place and were fixing it up; that Weaver arranged with him for rental of water, as Mr. Ringle takes care of such matters for the village; and Weaver also got him to haul some shells to put in his driveway and for which he paid him

a few dollars cash. Mr. Ringle inferred, from what little Weaver said, that Weaver was some sort of a retired groceryman from the State of Ohio. However, Weaver said nothing explicit as to where he was from, and never gave any details of his past, and Mr. Ringle did not make it a point to inquire in this respect.

Mr. Ringle is a man somewhat advanced in years, and has the ear marks of a person who would be easily deceived, and attends strictly to his own business.

Mr. Ringle stated that neither he nor his wife had any other dealings of a business or social nature with Weaver, whom he knew as Osborne; that they were very definitely a type of people with whom he did not care to associate, as they probably did some drinking from time to time, and in addition to this he would notice that they invariably seemed to stay out until early hours of the morning, and it was not unusual to see lights burning at Weaver's place at 2:00 or 3:00 o'clock in the morning. Mr. Ringle stated that Myrtle Eaton never had much to say, but gave the appearance of being some sort of a sporting type of woman who had a habit of lounging around the house and yard in flashy-looking pajamas.

When asked if he had ever seen any strangers or out-of-the-State automobiles at the Weaver home, Mr. Ringle advised that he had not.

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December 2, 1935.

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7-576-8141

Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. #1218; et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER -
Victim; KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent E. B. Donaldson,
dated at Jacksonville, Florida, November 20, 1935, which discloses that
William Weaver in the name of Osborne purchased and subscribed to the
following newspapers:

Daytona Beach Sun Record.
Daytona Beach News Journal.
Florida Times Union of Jacksonville, Florida.

It is desired that your office immediately ascertain the exact
date on which Weaver obtained subscriptions to such newspapers. It is also
desired that you have an Agent personally examine all issues of such
newspapers which were delivered to William Weaver to determine whether any
reference was made to fugitive members of the Barker-Karpis group in these
issues. This examination should be made between the dates of January 15,
1935, and February 20, 1935.

The Bureau feels there is some possibility that the above mentioned
papers may have carried information to the effect that William Weaver and
Myrtle Eaton, then fugitives, were under indictment in St. Paul, Minnesota,
in this matter.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

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Post Office Box 4907,
Jacksonville, Florida

November 20, 1935

Post Office Inspector,
Jacksonville, Florida

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RE: BREKID

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In a very important case being investigated by this Bureau, on October 19, 1935, we requested the Postmaster at Sarasota, Florida, to place a cover on the mail of Mr. and Mrs. Potts and Mr. E. J. Head. The duration of this mail cover ended on November 19, 1935, and it is the desire of this office that it be continued for another thirty days. It will be appreciated if you will advise the Postmaster at Sarasota accordingly.

In this connection, we want you to know that this Postmaster has been very cooperative with this office in furnishing us with mail material of which it is believed will be very valuable in our endeavor to apprehend persons badly wanted.

Very truly yours,

E. A. Alt,
Special Agent in Charge

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Postmaster, Sarasota
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Jacksonville, Florida
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
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RE: BREKID.

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Dear Sir:

Under date of October 26, 1935, I forwarded to the Bureau certain correspondence passing between the Department and the United States Attorney at Jacksonville, Florida, regarding the most recent aspects with reference to the prosecution of William Weaver at St. Paul, Minnesota, and the reported overtures by him whereby, in exchange for a plea of guilty, the Government would release Myrtle Eaton of all charges.

Under date of November 13, 1935, the Department wrote to the United States Attorney, Jacksonville, Florida, concerning the indictment pending in this district against William Weaver and Myrtle Eaton, stating in part as follows:

"I beg to advise you that after considering all phases of the matter the Department deems it unwise to enter into any agreement with Weaver in view of the character of the case. The United States Attorney at St. Paul has been advised accordingly.

As regards the indictment in your District, it is suggested that you give careful consideration to the question of obtaining a new indictment in your District with a view to overcoming some of the objections set forth in your letter."

The original copy of the aforementioned letter from the Department is identified by "JBK EMP 109-39-1".

The United States Attorney here has replied to the Department, stating that he will give careful consideration to the question of obtaining new indictment, and also commented that he is unable to see how a new indictment could overcome the difficulties mentioned in his letter.

The thought continues to occur to me, and I presume it has to others charged with the responsibility of this case, that one of

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the reasons Weaver makes this overture may be that he is anxious to have Myrtle Eaton at liberty so that she can again have access to money which they still may have hidden at some unknown destination.

Very truly yours,



R. A. Alt
Special Agent in Charge.

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Cc: Cincinnati
St. Paul
Chicago.

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EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

November 21, 1935.

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Time - 5:30 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

I telephoned Mr. Connelley at the Oklahoma City Office with reference to the surveillance being maintained on the home of Harry Campbell's mother at Tulsa, Oklahoma, asking him if he has had an opportunity to go over this matter with Mr. Brantley as yet. He said that he and Mr. Brantley are going over this situation at this time. I told him that we have a request to send a couple of new Agents in there to take care of this matter for the reason that most of the Agents of the Oklahoma City Office who would be suitable for an assignment such as this are well known to the local officers in Tulsa, who, also being desirous of apprehending the fugitives in this case, would probably ruin any setup which could be instituted. I told Mr. Connelley that the Bureau would like to have his recommendation of a couple of Agents to work on this assignment.

Mr. Connelley said that off-hand, he could not recommend any Agents who would be suitable for this situation, but that he would think about the matter, and advise the Bureau the names of those Agents that occur to him.

With reference to the setup on the house there in Tulsa, I told Mr. Connelley that while it is rather difficult to get an intelligent picture of the circumstances from the information which the Bureau has on paper, it would appear that from the house in which the surveillance is being maintained, it is impossible to see the rear entrance and kitchen of the Campbell house; that since our information indicates Campbell, if and when he comes in there, comes in by the back entrance, our surveillance would not seem to be of much avail if we cannot see the back entrance. Mr. Connelley said that he has not had an opportunity as yet to personally look the situation over; that they drove by there when the Agents of the Oklahoma City Office covered the lead up north of Tulsa the other night, but on this occasion, he just got a glance at the two places. Mr. Connelley said that before he leaves there, he will probably make a trip over to Tulsa for the purpose of looking the situation over and seeing just what the setup is.

I suggested that possibly we might be able to plant a dictograph in this house. Mr. Connelley said that while this will be borne in mind, it is not very probable that it can be done. He explained that there are six or seven persons residing in the Campbell home, and it is very unlikely that we can find a time when all of them are gone. He continued that the houses out there are rather far apart, they being cottages, and the wires for such a dictograph would have to be strung between the two houses, which is across open ground. Mr. Connelley said that the possibility of this will be looked into when he gets an opportunity to personally look the situation over.

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I mentioned the raid on the house above Tulsa, Oklahoma, in which the Agents of the Oklahoma City Office and the representatives of the State Bureau of Criminal Identification and Investigation participated the other night. I asked Mr. Connelley if any of the guns recovered as a result of this raid are Government property. He said that there were recovered two or three .45 calibre automatics and also two or three .45 calibre pistols which are marked "U. S. Property", but inasmuch as it appears entirely likely that these guns were issued during the war, it will be rather difficult to trace them. An attempt will be made to trace them, however, just to be on the safe side. He said there were no machine guns recovered, but there were several high-powered rifles and shot guns taken at the time of this raid. Mr. Connelley said that there are no indications that the fugitives for whom we are looking in connection with the instant case have been in this place. He said that as a matter of fact, he did not believe that the fugitives would enter such a place, inasmuch as it was nothing more nor less than a wholesale liquor place out there in the woods.

I told Mr. Connelley that the Bureau has received today a copy of a teletype which the Chicago Office forwarded to the Omaha Office, reading in part as follows: "Captain Gilbert, investigator, Cook County State's Attorney's Office, advised today an informant whose name he will not reveal advised that one Jimmy Dickner, Des Moines, Iowa, is cashing bonds and big bills for Karpis and Campbell. * * *." It is indicated in this teletype that the fugitives will contact Jimmy Dickner either on the 22nd or 23rd of this month. This teletype asks the Omaha Office to make a check of Dickner and arrange a proper cover on his activities. Mr. Connelley said that while the Omaha Office should, of course, cover this matter, he personally did not believe the fugitives have any bonds nor big bills to change, although they might still have some of the one-thousand-dollar bills which they took out of Florida.

Mr. Connelley said that he would call the Bureau in the morning after further discussion on the surveillance over in Tulsa, and advise the Bureau in the premises relative to his attitude toward what is being done.

Respectfully,



E. A. TAMM.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
November 22, 1935

JHL:VC
7-36

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation,
United States Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218, ET AL: EDWARD GEORGE BRE-
MER, Victim - KIDNAPPING.

Dear Sir:

There is transmitted herewith, under cellophane cover, a letter addressed to Mrs. Dorothy Karpis, Tulsa, Oklahoma, by Anna Dane, 308 W. 43rd Street, Los Angeles, California, dated October 7, 1935, together with the envelopes containing the same.

In view of the remote possibility that this letter may have originated for the purpose of establishing contact between Karpis and his recently divorced wife, it is requested that the enclosures be processed for latent fingerprints in the Technological Laboratory of the Bureau, and any prints developed in connection therewith compared with the fingerprints of Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Chicago
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Los Angeles
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#7003

Laboratory Report

Case: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218, ET AL: EDWARD GEORGE BRE-
MER, Victim - KIDNAPPING.

Number: 7-576-8144

Specimens:

- 7-576-8144-A. One page of letter beginning: "Dear Mrs Karpis
I am a stranger to you and I suppose you will--"
" B. One page of letter beginning: "I would like to
here from you if you care to write me just--"
" C. One envelope addressed to Mrs Dorothy Karpis,
Tulsa, Okla.. Postmarked, 15 Los Angeles, Calif.
Oct. 8, 1935, 8 PM.

Examination requested by: Okla. City, Okla. Office

Date received: 11-26-35 jwp

Examination requested: Document - Fingerprint

Result of examination:

Examination by: Appel ✓
Kohn

7-576-1844-D. One plain white envelope addressed to Mrs Dorothy
Karpis, Tulsa, Okla. No postmark.

cc Chicago
E. J. Connelley, Chicago
Cincinnati
St. Paul
Los Angeles

enc. 11/30/35

7-576-8144-A Lab 7003 11/26/55.

Letter

8144A 8.28-39 x 7.74-77 x .0039-40.

Plain white rough finish paper cut from
and torn from larger piece. Upper R-hand corner
portion of portrait picture. Printed in large type
"Walter Mark" Manuscript Bond a Butcher Paper"
wt. 3.087

Letter

8144B 8.42-26 x 7.55-49 x .0040-42. Plain

white rough finish paper. Part of portrait in
upper R-hand corner. Printing in blue ink

Headquarters: 4301 South Broadway, Century
21829 "across top to left of Portrait. Cut from
larger piece. Signed Anna Lane" 308 W 43 St
Los Angeles Calif. Same paper as above. W. Mark
"Manuscript Bond a Butcher Paper. wt. 3.116

Env.

8144C 6.47-50 x 3.65 x .0036-38. Plain

white Return address marked out "Howard W.
Davis Co., Realtors" then beneath "4301
South Broadway, Los Angeles, California."
Below this in type appears 308 W 43 St
Apt 4 Los Angeles, Calif. " no W. Mark.
wt. 2.844

Env.

8144D 6.09-64 x 3.62-64 x .0036-38 Plain

white, upper L-hand corner Return address part
cut off which would read. "Howard W. Davis,
Realtors 4301 South Broadway, Los Angeles;
California". Addressed on front
"Mrs Dorothy Karpis, Tulsa, Okla. On
written "Anna Lane" and printed Los Angeles
4 308 W 43 St. no W. Mark.
wt. 2.553

Manuscript Bond a Butler paper.
mfg. by J.W. Butler Paper Co. 223 W. Monroe
St. Chicago.

appears to

Typed on Rem. Stitt Correspondence
Equip. with #48 Bulletin D.C. type
express 6 letters to the inch.

Writing in letter might be conveying
a message to Mrs. Maryia. Decryption
of sender may be to identify send to
her and address on paper may be
for purpose of making known his
or some other member's location.

Post Office Box 1276
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
November 22, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
Los Angeles, California.

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, FUGITIVE,
I. O. 1218, ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE
BREMER, Victim - KIDNAPPING.

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are copies of a letter addressed to Mrs. Dorothy Karpis, Tulsa, Oklahoma by Anna Dane, 308 West 43rd Street, Los Angeles, California, dated October 7, 1935. The envelope containing this letter bears the postmark of Los Angeles, California, dated October 8, 1935 at 8:00 P. M.

In view of the contents of this letter and the remote possibility that it may be an effort on the part of Karpis to contact his recently divorced wife, it is requested that discreet inquiry be conducted to determine the identity of Anna Dane and the possibility of any connection she may have with the subjects of this case.

For your information, the letter is written on stationery from which the letterhead has been cut, bearing the notation, "Headquarters: 4301 South Broadway, Century 21829", and the envelope bearing the return address, which has been scratched out, of "Howard A. Davis Co., Realtors, 4301 South Broadway, Los Angeles, California". The letter and the address on the envelope are typewritten in large type, similar to machines used in preparing insurance policies, etc.

Very truly yours,

DWIGHT BRANTLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau
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Cincinnati
St. Paul

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DEAR MRS KARPIS

I AM A STRANGER TO YOU AND I
SUPPOSE YOU WILL WONDER WHY
I AM WRITING TO YOU BUT I
HAVE READ IN THE PAPERS HERE
WHERE YOU SUND YOUR HUSBAND
FOR DIVORCE AND YOUR ONLY
GROUNDS WERE DESERTION HE
MAY HAVE TRIED TO CONTACT YOU
SOME TIMES IT TAKES A LONG
TIME TO DO THAT YOU KNOW IT
MUST BE TERRIBLE NOT TO KNOW
WHERE HE IS IF YOU STILL CARE
FOR HIM.

I HAVE A FRIEND WHOSE NAME
HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO LOCATE
FOR TWO MONTHS ALL I WISH TO
THAT HE IS WELL AND ALIVE NO
MATTER WHERE ONLY WISH I HOPE.
HE IS ADORABLE A WONDERFUL MAN
AND NOTHING WORSE THAN SUSPENSE
DAY AND NIGHT FOR MANY MONTHS
YET I AM PRAYING THROUGH IS ALL
I HAVE LIVED HERE FIVE YEARS
IN CALIF ONLY A LITTLE OVER A
YEAR IN THIS CITY IT IS A
WONDERFUL PLACE SO EDUCATIONAL
AND INTERESTING

I HAVE A SON TWELVE YEARS OLD
HE LISTEN TO RADIO AND READ
I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR FROM YOU IF YOU
CARE TO WRITE ME JUST TREAT IT
CONFIDENTIAL IS ALL AND I WILL
DO THE SAME WITH YOU
I AM 40 YEARS BROWN HAIR AND
BLUE GRAY EYES AM A WOMAN WHO
HAS LEARNED TO BE SEEN AND NOT
HEARD HERE LATELY SILENT IS
GOLDEN I HAVE A PLAN I AM
WORKING ON WHICH I HOPE TO
PROMOTE SO THAT WILL GIVE
THE PUBLIC A CHANCE TO THINK
ABOUT SOMETHING IMPORTANT

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PLEASE WRITE TO AND I WILL
EXPLAIN LATER ON THE WAY
HAS BEEN OPEN TO ME I HAVE BEEN
STUDYING FOR OVER A YEAR OF

LOVE & FLAME

WITH REGARDS TO YOU

ANNA DANE

BOX 8 2 43 ST

LOS ANGELES

CALIF

(Signed) Anna Dane

- COPY -

Post Office Box 818
Chicago Illinois

November 21, 1935

Special Agent in Charge
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

In reviewing this file in the Chicago Office it is noted there is considerable reference to Joplin, Missouri as being a point where all of the members of this gang have frequented from time to time during the past several years, and it is believed that a more concerted effort should be made to develop additional informants, and to keep closer contact with those already developed at this point.

Frequent reference is made to Joplin, Missouri in the case entitled CHARLES ARTHUR "Pretty Boy" FLOYD with aliases, (Deceased); ET AL; CONSPIRACY TO DELIVER A FEDERAL PRISONER, Chicago File 62-1649, as being a place where the Subjects in that case and their contacts met. During the investigation of the instant case reference is also had to a hiding place near Joplin, Missouri where Russell Gibson, with aliases, (Deceased), is alleged to have had a hiding place. During the interviews with Paula Harmon, former paramour of Fred Barker, deceased, she frequently mentioned Joplin, Missouri, as a place she had visited in making contacts.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent S. L. Fortenberry, Detroit, Michigan, dated June 27, 1935, on Page 2, which records the conversation between Arthur Burdette and his sister, Wynona. It will be noted that Wynona stated that Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis had a hiding place seven or eight miles south of Joplin, Missouri, at a farmhouse. Wynona stated she was at this place only on one occasion with Harry Campbell, when she met two men who were introduced to her only as "Dutch" and "Shorty." However, she stated she knows that Harry Campbell had frequented this farm several times previous to this time of her visit.

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Reference is also made to the report of Special Agent A. J. Norstrom, Kansas City, Missouri, dated September 26, 1935, Page 6, relative to information furnished by [redacted] an informant who has proved his value in connection with the apprehension

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of bank robbers in that vicinity. It will be noted he advised Special Agent D. A. Bryce on August 17, 1935, that he had secured information that Harry Campbell was then in the vicinity of Joplin, Missouri. He further stated he knew a young woman very close to Campbell, who now resides at Tulsa, Oklahoma, and that he would contact this woman to determine if Campbell had made any contacts in the vicinity in recent months. It will be further noted it was [redacted] who advised Agent Bryce that Subjects Karpis and Campbell had "split up" and that they were no longer together. It is believed that frequent contact should be had with [redacted] and effort should be made to determine through him the location of the farm seven or eight miles south of Joplin, Missouri, referred to by Wynona Burdette, and also to ascertain the identities of "Dutch" and "Shorty."

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Further reference is made to the report of Special Agent A. E. Farland, Kansas City, Missouri, dated October 23, 1935, Page 5, wherein Volney Davis informed Agent Farland that he made a trip to Joplin, Missouri, during the latter part of April, 1935, and where he contacted "Spike" Lane, "Blackie" Doyle and John Langdon at Barrs Tourist Camp, located near the amusement park at Joplin. It is believed further effort should be made to develop a contact in the vicinity of this tourist camp and to develop further information concerning the person or persons operating this camp.

Because of the frequent references to Joplin, Missouri, as outlined above, it is requested that a thorough investigation be made at Joplin and vicinity in an effort to locate Harry Campbell and Alvin Karpis, or their known contacts.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD
Special Agent in Charge

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DIRECTOR

PHONE, BREKID, NO MATERIAL DEVELOPMENTS CHICAGO AND SURVEILLANCE BEING
CONTINUED. NO DEVELOPMENTS AS YET AT CLEVELAND. WILL FORWARD DETAILS
IN LETTER COVERING REVIEW PAST ACTIVITY AND CONTEMPLATED WORK OKLAHOMA
CITY DISTRICT.

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Mr. Nichols
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy
Miss Gandy

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Oklahoma City
11-20-35

Transmit the following Teletype message to: CHICAGO

FBI OKLAHOMA CITY 11-20-35 5 PM JCR

SAC CHICAGO

PHONE. BREKID, INFORMATION OBTAINED HERE TO EFFECT THAT FIVE MEN, FROM TWO TO THREE WEEKS AGO, COMMITTED A SIXTY OR SIXTYFIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR ROBBERY, PROBABLY PAYROLL OR BANK, IN THE VICINITY OF CHICAGO. IT IS SAID ONE MAN HAS BEEN IN HOSPITAL FOR TWO WEEKS ON ACCOUNT OF INJURIES SUSTAINED IN ROBBERY AND ONE IS SAID TO BE IN TULSA WITH SOME OF THE LOOT. ANOTHER IS SUPPOSED TO COME TO TULSA SATURDAY NIGHT. PLEASE ADVISE IMMEDIATELY WHETHER ANY SUCH ROBBERY COMMITTED YOUR VICINITY RECENTLY AND IF SO DETAILS AND INFORMATION CONCERNING IDENTITY OF ANY OF SUSPECTS.

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Ed George Bremer

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: Pittsburgh

FBI OKLAHOMA CITY

11-21-35

PM MS

SAC PITTSBURGH

PHONE BRANTLEY (SEE NOTE IN FILE) (SEE NOTE IN FILE) (SEE NOTE IN FILE)

ADDRESSED NEW GEORGE CAMPBELL, (SEE NOTE IN FILE) (SEE NOTE IN FILE) (SEE NOTE IN FILE)

POSTMARK WEST MIDDLEBURY PENNSYLVANIA NOVEMBER 18, 1935

RECEIVED NOVEMBER 18, 1935 (SEE NOTE IN FILE) (SEE NOTE IN FILE) (SEE NOTE IN FILE)

EFFORT IDENTIFY PARTY CORRESPONDING WITH CAMPBELL

SUBMIT PHOTOGRAPHS HARRY CAMPBELL AND OTHER SUBJECTS

FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES THERE. EXPEDITE.

BRANTLEY

CC BUREAU

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Special Agent in Charge

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5:45 P. M.

Per

(Signature)

Ed. George Bremer

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Transmit the following Teletype message to: Chicago Bureau Office

FBI OMAHA 11-21-35 12:05 PM RM

SAC CHICAGO

PHONE. BREAK YOUR TELETYPE NOVEMBER 20. THROUGH CAPTAIN GILBERT AND HIS
INFORMANT ENDEAVOR TO SECURE IMMEDIATELY AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE
CONCERNING JIMMIE DICKER, HIS DES MOINES ADDRESS, HANGOUTS, BUSINESS, CONTACTS,
ETC, HELPFUL IN LOCATING HIM AS HIS LOCATION IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL IN ORDER
TO ARRANGE COVER EXPEDITE

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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

Chicago Office

FBI OMAHA 11-21-35 1-45 PM RM

SAC CHICAGO

PHONE. BREAKIN YOUR TELETYPE NOVEMBER 20. UNABLE THUS FAR LOCATE JIMMIE DICKER
AT DESMOINES ATOP ONLY PERSON AT DESMOINES WITH NAME AT ALL FAMILIAR IS
JIMMIE DICKERSON A BOOTLEGGER PRESENTLY EMPLOYED AS COOK AT VALLEY DRIVE TAVERN
WHO IS DESCRIBED AS AGE 49 HEIGHT 5-7 WEIGHT 140 HAIR BROWN AND GREYING EYES BLUE
FACE SLENDER KNOWN TO HAVE WORN SHELL RIMMED GLASSES. SUBMIT THIS INFORMATION
TO CAPTAIN GILBERT FOR SUBMISSION TO HIS INFORMANT TO DETERMINE IF HE CAN BE
SUBJECTS CONTACT

DOND

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Special Agent in Charge

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.
November 22, 1935.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Baughman
Chief Clerk
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Coffey
Mr. Edwards
Mr. Egan
Mr. Foxworth
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Joseph
Mr. Keith
Mr. Lester
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Schilder
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Tracy

Time - 6:20 P.M.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

Re: Bremer Case.

At the instance of Mr. Connelley, who was at the Oklahoma City Office, Special Agent R. D. Brown telephoned me from Chicago to report some information which they have received in connection with the above case.

Mr. Brown referred to Oklahoma City Office letter to the Cleveland Office dated November 18, 1935, which states that Milton Letts, Route #2, Wynne, Oklahoma, apparently has been a contact for Harry Campbell for some time. The mail of his mother, Maggie Letts, was covered by the Oklahoma City Office, and it was found that there had been received by her four registered letters sent from Cleveland and one from Brunswick. The numbers and dates of these letters were obtained by the Oklahoma City Office and it was found that they were mailed in May, June, July, August and October of this year, one each month. The one mailed in October was mailed from Brunswick. It will be noted that none of these letters was mailed during the month of September. In this connection, Mr. Brown said that a check of the file in this case indicates that Campbell was probably in that vicinity in person during this period.

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Mr. Brown said that he just received a telephone call from the Cleveland Office, advising that the clerk at the registered mail window of the Brunswick Post Office had rather positively identified the photograph of Harry Campbell as being the person who sent a registered letter on October 7, 1935. This letter was mailed under the name of G. R. Benton, but another one carried the name of George Benton. The last three of these letters were mailed by a person giving the name of Mary Forp. In connection with the name of G. R. or George Benton, Mr. Brown reminded me of the fact that ever since we have been looking for Harry Campbell, he has from time to time used the alias of George, and the identification of him by the clerk at the Post Office appears to be rather definite, indicating that possibly Campbell is in Cleveland at this time.

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An investigation and check has failed to reveal that a registered letter has been sent yet this month, and in discussing this situation with Mr. Connelley, Mr. Connelley told Mr. Brown that he was of the opinion an immediate cover should be placed on the registry window of the main Post Office in Cleveland. All of the letters with the exception of the one mailed from Brunswick appear to have been mailed from the registry window of the main Post Office in Cleveland. Mr. Connelley suggested that Agents McKee, Sullivan and himself, Brown, proceed by airplane at once to Cleveland and institute the cover on this window the first thing in the morning. Mr. Brown said that they can leave Chicago at 10:00 P.M., tonight and arrive in Cleveland at 1:00 A.M., in the morning. I told Brown this is all right with the Bureau.

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See. H. Bremer
for mail cover

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Mr. Brown said that Special Agent C. E. Smith of the Cleveland Office has been working on this case, and he believed the four of them will be able to cover the matter completely, to which I concurred. Mr. Connelley is expected back in Chicago tomorrow evening some time.

I told Mr. Brown to get right on over there with the others and give this lead vigorous and careful attention. I told him to be careful in the event they have to take Harry Campbell in the lobby of the Post Office there so that innocent bystanders will not be shot, in the event there is some shooting.

He assured me that this matter would receive the proper attention, and Mr. Connelley and the Bureau will be kept advised of developments.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm
E. A. TAMM *chr.*

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

POST OFFICE BOX 812
CHICAGO ILLINOIS

PERSONAL AND
CONFIDENTIAL

November 19, 1935.

Director,
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice,
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th St. N.W.,
Washington, D.C.

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. 1218 et al.
Edward George Bremer,
Victim - KIDNAPING; HAR-
BORING OF FUGITIVES; OB-
STRUCTION OF JUSTICE;
NATIONAL FIREARMS ACT.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the possibility that Marie Marian Comforti, due to her association with Homer Van Meter around St. Paul up until the time he was killed by the St. Paul police might give us some information indicating the association of Tom Brown, former Chief of Detectives, and William Crumbley, with the members of this gang or with Harry Sawyer, this girl was interviewed at 330 Old Post Office Building, Chicago, in the office of the U.S. Probation Officer, inasmuch as when she returned to Chicago she indicated to the Probation officer that she desired that she not be interviewed in any way in the future by any Government Agents, due to the fact that they had presumably continuously interviewed her prior to her incarceration.

At this time this girl indicated an entirely friendly attitude and she is aware of the fact that she is to appear as a witness on or about December 5, 1935 in the trial of the Finertys, as to the harboring of Homer Van Meter, and she indicated that she would tell the truth at this time. She indicated that she was not acquainted with Harry Sawyer but that she knew of him and knew that he had a place on Wabasha Street. She advised that Homer Van Meter never told her much of what his contacts were, and the situation particularly was gone into as to who had approached Van Meter on the day he was killed at St. Paul. She advised that she had been with him up until a short time before 4 P.M. on this date when he left indicating he had an appointment with some party at 4 P.M. and refused to allow her to accompany him. She still insists that there was about three thousand dollars in his money belt and several thousand dollars in the brief case which he carried, the brief case and money having disappeared at the time of his apprehension, and the money belt apparently being reported as containing much less than three thousand dollars.

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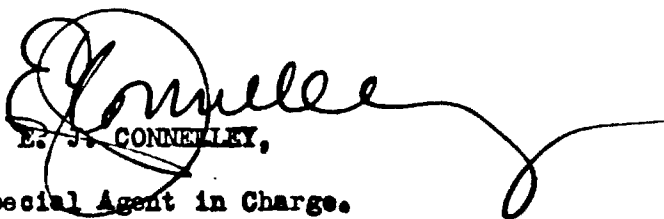
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Mr. Nathan ✓
Mr. Tolson ✓
Mr. Baughman ✓
Chief Clerk ✓
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Mr. Harbo ✓
Mr. Joseph ✓
Mr. Keith ✓
Mr. Lester ✓
Mr. Quinn ✓
Mr. Schilder ✓
Mr. Tamm ✓
Mr. Tracy ✓

The situation as to any knowledge she may have of the contacts these parties had through the Police to protect them was gone into very thoroughly with her. However she insisted she had no idea of any such association, and could furnish no information which would be of value to us in the inquiry indicated.

Very truly yours,


E. J. CONNELLEY,
Special Agent in Charge.

SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT

EJC:JMS

CC St. Paul
Cincinnati
Detroit
Cleveland

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506 Fletcher Trust Building
Indianapolis, Indiana

EJH:ula
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November 23, 1935

Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Re: BREKID

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the information contained in your letter of November 21, 1935, a stop notice placed by this Office with the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Indianapolis, Indiana, on Chevrolet sedan, motor number 4543656, serial number 17607-49257, has been withdrawn.

Very truly yours,

H. H. REINECKE,
Special Agent in Charge.

cc Bureau
Cincinnati
St. Paul

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Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director Federal Bureau Of Investigation
U.S. Dept. Of Justice
Washington D.C.

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Dear Mr Hoover:-

Please pardon me for takeing the liberty of writeing you this personal letter, but as I do not know the Agent in Charge in Jacksonville, Fla. I am forwarding this information which might be of value to you direct.

Some years ago when I was driveing raceing cards and flying me one Gilbert Allgaier known as Gilly who hails from Evansville Ind, later when working on the Bill McCoy et all smuggling cases in Florida I met this same man in Nassua, and as I was under cover at that time won his confidence, and become quite friendly, a short time ago I came thru Daytona Beach Fla. where he is now running a bar known as Gills Bar 27 South Atlantic Ave, and while there found out that one Osborn and his girl who was connected with the Bremmer case had been arrested a short distance from that city and removed to St. Paul for trial, this Gill and these partys were the closest of friends in fact I understand that Gilly was there just a short time before the arret, also that this fugitive and his girl hung around Gills place ever since they have been in Florida, also that a nephew of this fugitive is now tending bar for Gill, and liveing at the chicken ranch where his uncle was caught also that this woman caught with this man is not his wife, also that this fugitive is writeing Gill quite often, and furnishing him with the information that he will be convicted in the Federal court there, but that t girl will be turned free and returned to Florida to stand trial for harbor a fugitive in the Federal court, where they beleve they can beat the case, als some friend of Gills in St. Paul is sending him the daily papers of the trial there, or the hearings. also that Mike Duffy brother of Bill Duffy, of New York Public Enemy of that city is now manager of the Lido club at Dayt which is a hangout for hot shots in that sect. and is interested in

fugitive from St. Paul. also at the time I was there I met at Gills Bar one
Mr and Mrs Carr from Jamaica Plain Mass, who is posing as a retired G. Man
and spending their time and money at Gills bar, Gill is under the impression
that this Carr is under cover and is careful of him, may I ad that this Gill
has served time in some Indiana prison and claims a close friendship with
Dillenger and also Karpis, I tried to rope him very easily as to where Karpis
was ad he said well he might be around here and he might be in Nassau where
a lot of hot shots hang out, he also told me that he would not be surprised
if Karpis was not in some mail job lately as that was his racket, No doubt
the bureau has all the above information but thought it best to send it along
Thru Bill McCoy I have met quite a few of former bootleggers and racketters
in Florida, and find that most of them will not interest themself in this
snatch racket as they have the fear of god in them of the Bureau, I have been
comeing to Florida now for two winters and am known here as a retired Gov.
agent and now connected with flying in the west, and I wish that you would
keep this information confidential as to the source, as I am in and out
of Dartona and Miami quite often and would cause me embarrassment, how ever
at any time or any place I can be of any service to the Bureau please call
on me, as I have not forgotten the friendship that was shown me ny yourself
and others when I was in distress hurt, in case I can give a agent any more
definate information in the above, or a contact in any part of the state, where
I am known, please have them write me here at Sebring and it will be forwarded
to me if I am out of town, and I will meet him anywhere, with best wishes and
good luck, I am Sincerely

J. R. Cleary

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GILL'S BAR
27 SOUTH ATLANTIC AVE.

GILBERT ALLGAIER
MANAGER

DAYTONA BEACH
FLORIDA

7-576-8155

J.R. Leahy
President and President of City

SEBRING

FLORIDA



Mr. J. Edgar Hoover
Director Bureau of Investigation
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington
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December 2, 1935

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Special Agent in Charge,
Jacksonville, Florida.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I. O. 1218, ET AL,
Edward George Bremer, Victim,
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

The Bureau is in receipt of a letter from Mr.
J. R. Cleary, Sebring, Florida, dated November 21, 1935.
In this letter Mr. Cleary informs that he is acquainted
with the man who operates Gill's Bar at Daytona Beach,
Florida, and expresses the belief that this individual may
have some knowledge with regard to Karpis.

It is requested that Mr. Cleary be interviewed
along the lines suggested in his letter, copies of which
are inclosed. A copy of his letter is also being forwarded
to each of the offices listed below.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover,
Director.

cc - Chicago (with incl.)
Cincinnati
Cleveland
St. Paul

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: OMAHA

Chicago, Illinois
November 21, 1935

PHONE BREKID CAPTAIN GILBERT COOK COUNTY STATES ATTORNEY
INVESTIGATOR ADVISES IT WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO REACH HIS
INFORMANT RELATIVE TO JIMMIE DICKER UNTIL TOMORROW AND
HAS NO FURTHER DETAILS AT PRESENT

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Edward George Brennan

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Transmit the following Teletype message to: SAC LOS ANGELES CALIF

FROM. BREKID REFERENCE TO YOUR TELETYPE DATED NOVEMBER 20, 1935 REGARDING
JOSEPH ~~KELLY~~ WITH ALIASES BEING HELD BY PASADENA POLICE FOR ISSUING BAD
CHECKS. CHICAGO POLICE DETECTIVES DISPLAYED PHOTOGRAPHS OF KELLY, RUSSELL
*GIBSON AND BYRON ~~BOLTON~~ TO EMPLOYEES HAMILTON STATE BANK, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
WHO WERE UNABLE TO MAKE IDENTIFICATIONS AS ROBBERS OF BANK ON DECEMBER 8,
1934. LOCATION OF GIBSON-BOLTON APARTMENT AT TIME OF GIBSON'S DEATH WAS
APPROXIMATELY ONE BLOCK FROM ABOVE BANK. ALL INFORMATION AS TO KELLY IS
CONTAINED IN REPORT AGENT R D BROWN, CHICAGO, DATED MARCH 23, 1935,
BEGINNING PAGE 117. COPY THIS REPORT IN YOUR POSSESSION. IT IS REQUESTED
THAT KELLY ALIAS ~~CONNELLY~~ BE THOROUGHLY INTERROGATED FOR INFORMATION OF
VALUE THIS CASE ESPECIALLY AS TO WHEREABOUTS KARPIS AND CAMPBELL OR MEANS
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Federal Bureau of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Post Office Box 2118

Detroit - Michigan

November 22, 1935

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Pennsylvania Avenue at 9th Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1218; et al;
EDWARD G. BREMER - Victim
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Bureau letter dated July 27, 1935, there are transmitted to the Bureau and to the offices listed below, copies of a letter written to Dolores Delaney, an inmate of the Federal Detention Home at Milan, Michigan from her mother, and copies of a letter addressed to Mr. and Mrs. John Karpavicz from Dolores Delaney.

Very truly yours,

W. J. West
W. J. West
Special Agent in Charge

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Enc. (R)
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Nov. 20, 1935.

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Karpavicz;

I would have answered your last letter sooner but I haven't been feeling so well. I just couldn't seem to get my mind on anything.

Well, how is that great big son of mine? Gee, that lock of his hair you sent me was sure sweet. It's so soft and fine. I'm sure glad it's light and not black like it was at first. Oh, how I would have loved being at the little tykes christening. I'll bet he looked just awfully sweet in his new outfit. I wonder if you could take a picture of him in it and send it to me. I so want to see how he looks in it. Would you please?

I haven't heard anything more from the Agency in Florida about buying my car but I am expecting a letter this week or next week at the latest. I am rather hopeful about selling it for a few hundred dollars. I probably won't get what it's worth but if I don't sell I won't get any good out of it and it would cost entirely too much to bring it all the way up to Chicago.

I haven't heard from any of my family yet this month so I haven't written them either. When I do write I am going to bawl them out for not seeing Raymond oftener. They don't seem to care about him very much, I guess.

News is getting scarcer every day and I just can't think of a thing to write except to hope that you are all well and happy. I shall say goodbye now-

love

Dolores.

P.S. Kiss my boy for me and have him kiss you for me.

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7-576-8157

Chicago, Ill
Nov 15, 1935

Dear Dolores,

Well here I am at last in Chicago, arrived here a week ago tonight and I have seen your Baby Babe & her friend look me over Sunday Evening. The folks wasn't home but we waited at Mrs Nubold, their daughter. In about forty five minutes Mr & Mrs Kachis came home with the Baby. And they sent for me. When they went in Little Raymond was in his little hay pen on the floor And I picked him up, And he didn't act strange or afraid. Looked at me with those big eyes. As must as who are you, Well Dolores he is surely a cute little fellow. I hated to leave. Then Monday morning early, Mr Karpis called me up and said he would be after me. That they wanted me to go to their place for a few days. So he came. And I went over, But I had to come back the next afternoon on account of being sick. I dint know what happened but I got so sick the night I got in here, And Ive been sick ever since. Just one of my old spells, but I am feeling some better now. I was sorry I couldn't stay longer with the Baby, but I am going back soon as I am able. Mr & Mrs Karpis treated me swell And said I could stay there as long as I wanted to. And are they good to your Baby, they wait on it all the time. The Baby is crazy about Mr Karpis. They are both all wrapped up in it. Well the baby and I got pretty well acquainted And I gave him lots of hugs and kisses for you. I asked him what I should say to you when I wrote. He looked at me so funny, And says ba-ba. And Oh, Yes I forget, he played the piano for us Sunday night when we were there And can he make a noise on it. They were telling me all about the visit they had with you a couple weeks ago, I wish I was here, so I could have gone, I cant go for a while Dolores. You know the only one thats working here is Bud And he only makes 16.50 a week. And he has had Babe & Mugs to take care of And then I came, And broke to, Mugs lift yesterday she went up to the north Side again And Babe went some place this evening to see about a job. I hope she gets it. And As we need it bad. If I get well again, I am going to do some thing to help along. Where we are, Bud has a sleeping room, And Babe and have a house keeping room but I dont like it. And then when Mugs was here she had another room, So that made it bad for Bud, to much rent. Bud & Mrs Ortleph came over to to Karpis' for me tuesday, So they saw the Baby to. Dolores, I forget who does the baby look like, his father, I dont think that he looks like you, but his actions

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are like yours ; when he wants some thing, he gets it, Mrs
Ortelph & Katherine sends you their love, They are just the same
as ever Babe sent your letter to me in St Paul, the day I left
there, So I havent gotten it yet, And this letter is late, I want-
ed to write as soon as I got home Tuesday but I was to sick, But I
know you will be glad to know that I have seen the Baby, And I for-
got to tell you to that the Baby has the most beautiful bed, high
chair and buggy, that I ever seen, And lots of other things, So you
dont have to worry about it It gets wonderful care. How have you
been Dolores? And how is your hair? Let me know how you feel.
And what can you have at Christmas Please let me know, It doesn't
seem possible that Christmas is right around the corner, but it is.
Babe is going to write you some, So well mail This tomorrow, And
you will have it Blue, Monday. I hope you are feeling well Am
sending you some of the hugs and kisses from your Baby to my Baby.

Lovingly

Mother,

6045-Kimbock Ave.

Just called up to see how little Raymond is And he is
fine.

Mother